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U. N. ULTIMATUM TO INDIA AND PAKISTAN

Kashmir Commission Submits Terms

DEMAND FOR WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS TO CEASE-FIRE LINE

Delhi To Consult Nehru Before Replying

NEW DELHI, April 28 (API): The United Nations Kashmir Commission simultaneously presented to the Governments of India and Pakistan what a Communique issued by the Commission described as its "final terms" for implementation of the truce agreement and requested replies within a week.

SCHEDULE FOR WITHDRAWAL

THESE TERMS, THE COMMUNIQUE SAID, INCLUDED A SCHEDULE FOR WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS AND FIXING OF A DEMARCATION LINE BASED UPON "FACTUAL POSITIONS" OCCUPIED BY INDIAN AND PAKISTAN ARMIES ON JANUARY 1 LAST—CEASE-FIRE DAY.

IN A COVERING LETTER TO BOTH GOVERNMENTS, THE COMMISSION STATED THAT IT DID NOT BELIEVE THAT "FRUITFUL RESULTS WILL BE OBTAINED FROM FURTHER DISCUSSION AND REQUESTED "UNRESERVED ACCEPTANCE" OF ITS TERMS.

Terms Presented To India Government

The Commission's terms were presented in Delhi to Mr. N. Gopalaswami Ayyangar, who in the absence of the Prime Minister, Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru, is acting as Minister for External Affairs, by the Chairman of the Commission, Dr. Alfred Lozano, who arrived here today from Rawalpindi, accompanied by the Commission's Military Adviser, Lt.-Gen. Maurice Delvoie.

The Communique said that the Commission's terms were worked out in Rawalpindi over the past 8 days when it considered the replies of the two Governments to its first proposals, together with reports from the Military Adviser and the United Nations observers in Jammu and Kashmir.

The covering letter quoted in the Communique also said that the Commission could not but express the urgency which it attached to withdrawal of armed forces in Jammu and Kashmir.

NEHRU TO BE CONSULTED

The Government of India, it is understood, are giving urgent and most careful consideration to the Commission's latest proposals.

Prime Minister Pt. Nehru who is now abroad will, it is presumed, be consulted before the Government's reply is sent to the Commission.

Text Of Communique

The following is the text of the Communique issued by the Commission here today.

"The United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan presented today simultaneously to the Government of India and Pakistan the Commission's final terms for implementation of the truce agreement and has requested replies within one week.

"These reports, based on details of Part II of the resolution of August 13, 1948, include in Part the schedule for withdrawal of troops and the fixing of a demarcation line based upon the factual positions occupied by the two armies on 1st January, 1949.

"Chairman Alfrede Lozano, who left Rawalpindi this morning accompanied by the Military Adviser Lt.-Gen. Maurice Delovoie, saw acting Minister for External Affairs, Gopalaswami Ayyangar in New Delhi, while Vice-Chairman, Robert Macatte presented the Commission's terms to Mushtaq Ahmed Gurmani, Pakistan Minister without portfolio, in Rawalpindi.

"The Commission's truce terms were worked out in a series of meetings in Rawalpindi over the past eight days. During that time the replies of the two Governments to the Commission's first proposals presented on April 15 were considered, together with reports from the Military Adviser, the U. N. observers and other experts—members of the staff.

"In a covering letter to both Governments, the Commission stated that the terms submitted "endeavour to reconcile so far as possible the views of both Governments with respect to the present situation and adhere to their framework of the resolution of August 13, 1948.

Further the Commission considers it essential that the Governments of India and Pakistan agree on terms which will permit the implementation of the provisions of the truce without further delay, and cannot but express the urgency which it attaches to the withdrawal of armed forces in the State of Jammu and Kashmir".

"The Commission", the letter stated "does not believe that fruitful results will be obtained from further discussions. It is in the spirit that the Commission requests unreserved acceptance of the enclosed terms".

Mahatma's Horoscope Predicted Murder

AHMEDABAD, April 28 (A.P.I.): A horoscope in Sanskrit of Mahatma Gandhi is one of the relics being collected for the Gandhi National Memorial Trust.

The horoscope, cast by a Brahmin who is now no more, was presented to the Trust by the members of his family.

The horoscope stated that Mahatma Gandhi would be wounded by arms in his 78th, 79th or 80th year and that if he survived that he would live for 125 years.

BARODA'S MERGER WITH BOMBAY

Province To Incur Huge Deficit

BARODA, April 28 (API)—The Government of Bombay will incur a deficit of Rs. 97.08 lakhs on account of Baroda's merger into the province for the eight-month period from August 1, 1949 to March 31, 1950. The deficit will increase further when the increase in expenditure according to the Bombay scales of pay and allowances is taken into consideration.

This was revealed in the budget estimates for the period presented by the Prime Minister, Dr. Jivraj Mehta, to the Baroda Dhara Sabha this afternoon.

The total revenue for the period is estimated at Rs. 417.02 lakhs and the total expenditure at Rs. 4415.08 lakhs.

Bombay's receipts from Baroda will be reduced to Rs. 286.83 lakhs after deducting the contribution to central revenues of Rs. 172.43 lakhs, the addition of income-tax apportionment to Bombay out of the Baroda income-tax collected by the centre and the addition of revenue as a result of applying the Bombay rates on duties like the sales tax and stamp registration.

Similarly Bombay's expenditure for Baroda will be reduced to Rs. 383-91 lakhs after deducting the Central Government's share of expenditure of Rs. 31.77 lakhs.

A block grant of Rs. 13.33 lakhs is made for buildings for the proposed Baroda university, and Rs. 10 lakhs are provided for famine relief under ordinary expenditure.

A special grant of Rs. 98.82 lakhs for the Baroda university and a sum of Rs. 30 lakhs for family relief works over and above the P.W.D. and post-war works have been charged to capital account.

Robeson Cancels Danish Speech

COPENHAGEN, April 28 (UPA): Paul Robeson, American Negro singer and delegate to the Communist-dominated "World Peace Conference" at Paris, cancelled a scheduled speech to Danish students because of the "atmosphere in the Danish population."

Generally, Robeson's political appearance was received with hostility in Scandinavia. But a sell-out crowd of 7,000 enthusiastically hailed his concert appearance here.

DAIL GREETS NEHRU

Receives Him On Floor Of House

DUBLIN, April 28. (PTI-Reuter)—Dail Eireann, Eire's Parliament, today paid Pandit Nehru, Indian Prime Minister the unprecedented honour of receiving him on the floor of the House.

Pandit Nehru on a five-hour visit to Dublin for the first time since his student days, was sitting in the distinguished strangers' gallery when Prime Minister, John Costello moved that he be received on the floor. Loud applause greeted the motion and Mr. Costello and Opposition leader Emmon de Valera escorted him to the Speaker Mr. Frank Fahy. Pandit Nehru took a seat on the front Government Bench and listened to the business of the day for over half an hour.

The Indian Premier had been greeted at Dublin airport on his arrival from London by Mr. Costello and Dr. Noel Brown, Acting Minister for External Affairs.

Mr. De Valera and Mr. Frank Aiken were also at the airport to represent the Parliament Opposition.

With Pandit Nehru in the plane were Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai, Secretary-General of the Indian Ministry of External and Commonwealth Affairs; Mr. Krishna Menon, Indian High Commissioner-designate to Dublin; and Mr. John. W. Bullanty, Irish High Commissioner in London.

Pandit Nehru, his party, and the Irish Ministers drove from the airport to the Sheldourne Hotel, where he addressed a delegation representing the India League in Dublin and Indian and African students.

He told them great changes were coming for the betterment of India. "This is of course the unfortunate position regarding partition in India, which I say deliberately is unfortunate", he added. India was a very dynamic country at the present time, "sometimes so dynamic that this dynamism goes wrong. That cannot be helped. We can always set things right by experience.

President Sean O'Kelly received the Indian Premier for half an hour at his official residence at Phoenix Park, and the Irish Prime Minister later entertained him to lunch at Iveagh House, Headquarters of the Department of External Affairs.

The Cabinet members of the Opposition, and the diplomatic representatives of Britain, Canada, and Australia attended the lunch.

NEHRU'S RADIO BROADCAST

In a message broadcast by Radio Eireann, Pandit Nehru said "in India we have always had very warm feeling for Ireland and her people. Both India and Ireland have had a very chequered history. We in India have tried to learn a good deal from Ireland's experience in the past. We have watched with admiration many things that have happened here during the course of this chequered history.

"Today I come here for a few hours to meet the leaders of this country and to renew old contacts. I hope in future the contacts between India and Ireland will be close and friendly".

The Indian Premier left Dublin at 3-45 p.m. for London. He was seen off at the Airport by Dr. Browne.

Nehru's Swizerland Programme

BERNE, April 28 (PTI-Reuter): Details of Pandit Nehru's official visit to Switzerland next month were announced here today.

The Indian Prime Minister will arrive by air at Kloten near Zurich, on May 3 coming from London.

Greeted at the airport by Swiss officials, the Premier will drive to the Luxurious villa at Lohn on the outskirts of Berne, where Switzerland's distinguished guests are lodged.

In the evening Pandit Nehru will be received by the Swiss Federal Cabinet in the Parliament buildings. Later he will attend a banquet given by the Swiss Government in the historic Watteville House, presented to the nation by one of Switzerlands oldest families.

On May 4 Swiss officials will take the Prime Minister for a drive round the Bernese Plateal, the rich "bread basket" of Switzerland. In the afternoon Pt. Nehru will be present at a reception given to the Swiss Government, members of Parliament and leading officials by India's Minister in Berne, Mr. D. B. Desai.

On the last day of his visit, Pt. Nehru will give a lunch at the Bellevue Palace Hotel, one of the leading hotels of Switzerland, to chief members of the Swiss Government.

In the afternoon he will drive to Lausanne, where he is expected to visit the cemetery where his wife was cremated and may also inspect an exhibition of Indian art opening in the lakeside city on may 2.

He will proceed to Geneva by car and will leave that night for India by the regular Air India International plane.

Socialist Wins By-Election

PURUSHOTTAM TRICUMDAS TOPS POLL

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Mr. Purushottam Tricumdas, Socialist candidate was elected by a safe majority to the Bombay Legislative Assembly, in the by-election from Bombay North, held on Monday.

Out of the 31,983 valid votes cast in the by-election Mr. Purushottam Tricumdas secured 12,532 votes. Mr. P. T. Borale, the candidate of the Scheduled Castes Federation came next with 9,732. Dr. K. S. Mhaskar, Congress candidate secured 9,434 votes.

Besides, there were two other "dummy" candidates, Mr. M. S. Chilap (Congress) and Babusaheb S. Phansalkar (Socialist) got 155 and 130 votes respectively.

Announcing the results, Mr. M. R. Meher, Collector of Bombay and the Bombay Suburban District, stated that the two had forfeited their securities. He also stated that 1,594 votes were rejected.

CROWDS WAIT FOR RESULT

The counting of votes started in the Collector's office at 1 p.m. and the results were announced only at 7 p.m. Lively scenes were witnessed, a large number of supporters of all the candidates anxiously waiting in the sweltering heat of the sun in the compound of the Collector's office at Old Customs House. As the evening approached, more and more supporters of the Socialist Party poured in and the declaration of the results was greeted with vociferous cheering.

Although all the candidates were present for some time in the course of the day, all of them, including the successful candidate, had left by the time the results were out. Mr. Mohiuddin Harris, Socialist Party leader was the recepient of congratulations by proxy.

Addressing an impromptu meeting of the Socialist supporters in the compound amids shouts of "Socialist Party Zindabad", Mr. Harris said that the victory was the result of the united efforts of all the workers of the party.

This election brings the strength of the Socialist Party in the Bombay Legislative Assembly to three, Mr. Yusuf Meherally and Mr. Peter Alvares having been elected in two other recent by-elections.

ANTI-MERGER SUIT DISMISSED

BARODA, April 28 (A.P.I.): Mr. Jayantilal Mayachand Sheth District Judge of Baroda, disallowed today the suit of the Praja Sangh praying for an injunction restraining the Baroda Government from giving effect to the merger decision.

After hearing the plaintiff's pleader's arguments, the District Judge said that the court had no powers to try a "political suit."

NEXT A. I. C. C. SESSION

Reception Committee Formed

DEHRA DUN, April 28 (API)—A Reception Committee for the forthcoming session of the A.I.C.C. to be held here has been formed with Mr Mahavir Tyagi, member, Constituent Assembly, as Chairman and Master Mathura Prasad as General Secretary.

Four Vice-Presidents have been appointed to assist the Chairman.

Various Sub-Committees, such as Accommodation Sub-Committee, Pandal Sub-Committee, Publicity and Propaganda Sub-Committee, Finance Sub-Committee etc. have also been constituted.

It has been decided to erect a special pandal for the A.I.C.C session in frant of the pavilion parade ground, a centrally situated spot in Dehra Dun.

HUNGER-STRIKE IN JAMMU COLLEGE

JAMMU, April 28 (API)—Two students of the Government Gandhi Memorial College at Jammu have, gone on hunger-strike from Tuesday as a protest against the attitude of the Education authorities to their demand for reduction of fees and cancellation of the text examination. There is complete strike in the college.

CHIANG LEAVES FOR AMOY

Will Communists Bypass Shanghai?

SHANGAI, April 28 (PTI-Reuter)—Communists armies massed in a wide area round Shanghai today sent spearheads south towards the lake city of Hangchow, the key point in the new Nationalist defence line.

Military observers here think it still too early to say whether the Communists will launch an immediate attack on Shanghai, China's commercial capital, or by-pass it temporarily for less heavily-defended targets.

Major Communist sources are within 50 miles of Shanghai on the west but have not pressed home the attack since their easy capture of Nanking last week-end. They are believed to be bringing artillery and heavy equipment across the Yangtse river, while they regroup for a new offensive.

AIR-LIFT EVACUATION

Royal Air Force, and BOAC. planes are standing by in Hongkong for an emergency "airlift evacuation" of the British community from Shanghai when the threat becomes immediate. They include 'Dakotas' and 'Sunderland' flying-boats.

The four thousand strong British community was cheered today to see the frigate 'black swan' back at her moorings in "Balleship Row", which she left unexpectedly yesterday to go to the mouth of the Yaugtse.

Latest reports said Nationalist troops were "preparing for any emergency" in Hangchow, which is about 100 miles down the coast from Shanghai.

Communist vanguards are driving towards it through difficult marshy country on both sides of Lake Taihu.

THREAT TO LAST LAND-LINK

The eastern column may turn towards the important road and rail junction of Kashing, 60 miles southwest of Shanghai, to cut the last open land link. Its nearest point to Soochow, which fell yesterday, 4,000 Communists pushed about 10 miles nearer Shanghai.

The Shanghai garrison was still hurriedly building up its defences in the city's immediate suburbs. Local reports said new fortifications were going up in the Hungjao area, residential suburb west of the city, and near the mouth of the Whangpoo river, where it meets the Yangtse.

CHIANG'S ROLE

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, who dramatically ended three months retirement yesterday, will head a Political Affairs Council to handle continued Nationalist resistance, the American-owned Shanghai 'Evening Post' reported. Acting President Li Tsung-Jen would be Deputy Chairman, exercising active control, the paper added.

The Generalissimo was reported to have left Shanghai today aboard a Chinese naval vessel bound for Amoy, South China port opposite the fortress island of Formosa.

Chiang conferred all day yesterday with local military and political leaders.

Garrison Headquarters announced a house-to-house search to uncover "undesirable elements hiding in the city". It also put a uniform price on silver dollars—eagerly sought as the most likely currency if the Communists enter—and forbade shops to quote prices in them. Violators of the order are liable to summary execution.

SINGAPORE DENIAL

SINGAPORE: A Royal Air Force spokesman today denied Hongkong reports that aircraft at Singapore had been altered for the possible evacuation of Britons from Shanghai.

SETTING LIMIT TO 'RED' CONQUEST

"New York Times" On Commonwealth Agreement

NEW YORK, April 28. (PTI-Reuter)—The "New York Times" in a leader today described the Commonwealth agreement on India's future status as "a triumph of statesmanship" and the compromise formula as "a triumph of adaptability."

"It is a historic step, not only in the progress of the Commonwealth, but in setting a limit to Communist conquest and opening up the prospect of a wider defence system than the Atlantic Pact".

60 Killed In Train Disaster

JOHANNESBURG, April 28 (UPA): An estimated 60 persons were reported killed and some 70 others injured in a spectacular three-train crash here today, the worst in South African history. Most of the casualties were natives.

India Not To Recognise Privy Council

SEQUEL TO KING ABANDONING CONSTITUTIONAL FUNCTIONS

Nehru's Vision Impresses Commonwealth Premiers

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, April 28.

It is presumed here that India will no longer accept the Privy Council as the final Court of Appeal. Indeed, having divested the King of constitutional functions, it would be anomalous for India to accept his Privy Council.

Canada has already given notice of withdrawing from the Privy Council jurisdiction. Australia is expected to follow suit.

TRIUMPH FOR NEHRU

POLITICAL CIRCLES CHARACTERISE THE NEW COMMONWEALTH DECLARATION AS A PERSONAL TRIUMPH FOR MR. ATTLEE AND PANDIT NEHRU. WITHOUT THESE TWO MEN, THERE MIGHT HAVE BEEN A VERY DIFFERENT RESULT. PANDIT NEHRU HAS IMPRESSED EVERYBODY AT THE COMMONWEALTH CONFERENCE WITH HIS BREADTH OF VISION AND BRILLIANT IMAGINATION. DR. MALAN TOO GENERALLY TOOK A LINE FAVOURABLE TO PANDIT NEHRU'S VIEWS, INSISTING ON COMPLETE UNFETTERED FREEDOM OF EACH COMMONWEALTH COUNTRY.

Political corespondents emphasise with satisfaction the decision of Pakistan, South Africa, and Ceylon not to become Republic presently.

Several Prime Ministers have already left London. Pandit Nehru who was the last to come will be the last to leave.

DUBLIN MAY TAKE CUE FROM INDIA

Fresh Approach To Abolish Partition Likely

DUBLIN, April 28 (PTI-Reuter)—Pandit Nehru, Indian Prime Minister, who is in Dublin today, is expected to hear the Eire Republic's views on the latest developments in the structure of the British Commonwealth.

Observers attach significance to his visit in the light of the results of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference in London.

He may become the bearer of an important message containing the Eire Government's opinion of the new situation.

Official circles in Dublin appeared excited over the solution of India's status within the Commonwealth and members of the Dail (Parliament) asked whether or not a solution to the Irish question could be found on a similar basis.

NO COMMENT FROM COSTELLO

Mr. John Costello, Eire's Premier, said he could not yet comment on the Indian position, adding "it is entirely a matter for India herself".

From comments in the lobbies of the Dail, however, it did appear that a fresh approach to the abolition of partition of Ireland might now be made.

It was recalled here that an All Iredland Republic accepting the Crown as the symbol of Commonwealth association was the solution sought 27 years ago by Eamon de Valera, then President of the Sinn Fein (Nationalist Movement).

With the establishment of such a Republic of all Ireland, adherence to the Atlantic Pact would follow, observers thought.

FRANCE WELCOMES AGREEMENT

PARIS, April 28 (PTI-Reuter)—French Foreign Office sources today

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Harijan Woman Gets Hexaplets

BANARAS, April 28 (UPI): A scheduled caste woman of the village of Chanbepur in Banaras gave birth to Hexaplets, it has been reported.

The babies lived for 45 minutes only. The mother, however, is progressing from a precarious condition.

3.7 Per Cent Decrease In Rice Yield

INDIA'S FINAL FORECAST

NEW DELHI, April 28. (API)—The final forecast of rice of the Indian Union for 1948-49 puts the area and yield at 60,480,800 acres and 18,863,000 tons as against 60,818,000 acres and 19,584,000 tons during last year, showing a decrease of 0.6 and 3.7 per cent respectively.

Announcing this, the Ministry of Agriculture in a press note states that there has been some decrease in the yield in the case of Central Provinces and Berar, Bombay, Bihar, Assam, Madras, West Bengal and Hyderabad which is generally attributed to unfavourable weather conditions.

A considerable increase in both area and yield has, however, been recorded in the United Provinces.

Pakistan's Purchase Of Indian Cloth

(From A Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, April 28: The Pakistan delegation which arrived in Ahmedabad has purchased 2,600 bales of cloth from Ahmedabad mills according to the quota allotted to Pakistan. The delegation is proceeding to Bombay to purchase more cloth for the East Bengal and West Punjab.

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ALTERATIONS IN TIMINGS OF TRAINS

THE TIMES of arrival of No. 10 Up Saurashtra Mail and No. 4 Up Frontier Mail at Bombay Central have been altered. With immediate effect the arrival times of these trains will be 10-50 hours and 11-10 hours respectively. 4230

AUCTION SALE

AN AUCTION of Cotton wastes —Hard and Soft—will be held in the Mill premises on the 8th of May 1949 Sunday at 2-0 p.m. Intending purchasers are requested to attend the auction.

NARAYANDAS CHUNILAL MILLS
GADAG. (4202)

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THE AGENT & GENERAL MANAGER invites tenders for the supply of 510 Maunds Gram Dall, 510 Maunds Toor Dall, 350 Maunds Jagree and 120 Maunds Chillies (all Bengal Maunds). Good quality essential. Successful tenderer will have to deposit Rs. 500/- for each commodity as earnest money. Supply within 7 days of acceptance of tender at the Company's Grain Shop at Kurduwadi. Tenders with samples should reach in sealed covers duly superscribed "Tender for the supply of gram dall, etc., "before 11 a.m. on 16th May, 1949. 4198

NOTICE

FIRMS dealing in Printing Machinery are desired to quote competitive prices for brand new machines as specified below with their business terms, if any:—

Automatic Cylinder Size 20 x 30.
Automatic Cylinder Size 27 x 34.
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PUBLIC NOTICE.

BOMBAY SALES TAX ACT

ALL DEALERS concerned are hereby informed that tax under the Bombay Sales Tax Act, 1946, will be payable on all sales or supplies of goods by dealers in the Kolhapur State and the Baroda State excluding the Districts of Amreli and Okhamandal with effect from the 1st May, 1949. The sales of any goods which have NOT been actually removed to places within these states (excluding the Districts of Amreli and Okhamandal) upto the 30th April 1949 but are despatched or removed there on or after the 1st May, 1949, will NOT be eligible for exemption under Section 6 (3) Rule I (iii) or for the reduced rates of tax under Government Notification, Finance Department, No. 6495|33(iii) dated the 28th March 1949 under the proviso to Section 6(1) of the Act.

Sd.|- V. L. GIDWANI,
Deputy Commissioner of Sales Tax,
Bombay Province.

No. 387(2)
Bombay, 28th April 1949. 4208

INDIAN POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS DEPARTMENT,

TELEPHONES, BOMBAY DISTRICT

THE ATTENTION of all Telephone Subscribers in Bombay is invited to the Government Notification appearing in page No. 387 of the Gazette of India of 26th March, 1949, directing that with effect from the 16th May, 1949, the Message Rate System shall be introduced in Bombay Exchanges for all telephone connections. In pursuance of that direction, Message Rate System of payment for all telephone connections to the Bombay Telephone Exchanges will become effective from the 16th May, 1949. The existing Contracts signed by the telephone hirers on the flat rate basis will be determined by DUE NOTICES to such hirers, who can continue to hire their present telephones by accepting the Message Rate System of payment. These hirers are requested to return promptly the fresh agreement forms, which will be posted to them offering telephone service on the Message Rate System of payment, duly signed soon after receipt in order to ensure that their telephone service is not affected by the non-receipt of the signed agreement forms back in the office of the undersigned. The co-operation of all the subscribers to this telephone system is earnestly requested to ensure the continuity of their telephone service during the transition period of changing over from the existing flat rate to Message Rate and thereafter by their prompt compliance in the return of agreement forms duly signed.

M. SUNDARAM,
General Manager,
Telephones, Bombay District.
Bombay, dated 26th April, 1949. 4205

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE NEW INDIA ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

BOMBAY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 9th May to 4th June, 1949, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
B. K. SHAH,
General Manager.

Bombay, 28th April, 1949. 4206

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MONGHIBAI MAWJI, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property of any nature whatsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of Pension and Tax tenure land (since redeemed) with the dwelling house standing thereon situate at Nickdawri Lane, Kandewadi, outside the Fort of Bombay in the registration Sub-District of Bombay admeasuring 189 sq. yards or thereabout bearing Collector's Old No. 3, New No. 141, Old Survey No. 551, New Survey No. 1/3/7743 Cadastral Survey No. 116 (part) of Girgaum Division and assessed under "D" Ward No. 879 and Street No. 3 and bounded on the East by Nickdawri Lane, on the West by the property belonging to the Portuguese Church, on the North by the property belonging to Shamlal Jaigovind and on the South by the property belonging to Fatia Babaji Redy.

Dated this 28th day of April 1949.

DABHOLKAR & JESHTARAM
Purchaser's Attorneys
Alli Chambers, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay (1). (4207)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

TESTAMENTARY & INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

Petition No. 179 of 1949

CITATION

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of RAMCHANDRA MAHADEV DONGRE of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, late a Superintendent, Reserve Bank of India, Bombay, residing at the time of his death at Lonavla. ..... Deceased.

SITABAI, widow of the abovenamed deceased Hindu Inhabitant, residing at Ram Bhuvan, Pipe Road, Kurla, in Greater Bombay. Petitioner.

All persons, claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

Sd. S. J. RAHIMTOOLA
Prothonotary and Senior Master.

Sd. A. R. NARAYAN IYYER.
Sealer.

The 14th day of April, 1949
SITABAI Widow of
R. M. DONGRE
in person
Petitioner. (4203)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that HAJI MAHOMED UMAR MOHKAMDIN, MUSHTAQAHMED MOHOMED UMAR, MAHOMED SHAFFI MAHOMED UMAR, GULAM FATIMA, wife of Haji Mohammad Umar Mohkamdin and daughter of Mohamed Sayeed and ZIAAHMED AHMED MAHOMED UMAR by his father and natural guardian HAJI MAHOMED UMAR MOHKAMDIN, all of Bombay Muslim Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients free from all encumbrances.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property or any part thereof by way of inheritance, possession, mortgage, sale, exchange, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement, or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay within fourteen days from the date of publication hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULED OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece of land, containing an area of 778.8 square yards or thereabouts situate on and being Plot No. 13 of the Connought Road Estate of the Corporation in the City and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay bounded on the North-East by a service passage, on the South-East by plot No. 14 of the said estate, on the South-West by Suzzex Road and on the North-West by plot No. 12 of the said Estate which piece of Land bore at the date of the lease New Survey No. 1/3636 and now bears New Survey No. 1/3636 (part) and Cadastral Survey No. 696 Mazagaon Division together with the building standing thereon which said premises were at the date of the Lease assessed by the Municipality under Ward No. 7462(4) Street No. 6 and are now assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under B Ward No. 7462(4) Street Nos. 20, 22.

Dated this 28th day of April, 1949.

MAZAGONWALLA & CO.
Purchasers' Attorneys. (4201)

AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF SANGAM CLOTH STORES WITH THE BENEFIT OF TENANCY AT MADHAV BAUG, C. P. TANK ROAD.

Under instructions from the Court Receiver, Bombay, as Receiver in Suit No. 258 of 1949 (Kapurchand Ltd. vs. Sudhir Hendre), Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction (TO-DAY) FRIDAY, 29-4-49 at 3-30 p. m. (S.T.) at the premises all the stock-in-trade consisting of Benarasi sarees, silk clothes, mill clothes, etc., of Sangam Cloth Stores together with its goodwill and benefit of tenancy as a going concern in one lot and also 16 Trunks sarees.

Terms: 25 per cent Deposit.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that TRIBHOVAN GOVIND as the duly appointed guardian of JADAV JIWAN a minor under the age of 18 years has contracted to sell the undermentioned property belonging to the said JADAV JIVAN to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, Lease, lien, charge, trust, Maintenance easement, or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay within 10 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to said claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY ABOVE REFERRED TO

All those pieces or parcels of land or ground with the messuages tenement or building standing thereon situate lying and being at KOLI KALYAN KURLA in Greater Bombay the number and particular description whereof is as under:—

Survey No.	Old Hissa No.	New Hissa No.	Pot No.	Faini No.	Area A	Area G	Area Sq. Yards.
112	—	4	Part of 16.	—	—	—	181
112	—	4	Part of 21	—	—	—	325
112	—	4	Part of 17	—	—	—	867
112	—	4	Part of 17	0	0	9½	
112	—	4	Part of 20	0	0	5½	
112	—	5	Part of 18	0	0	1-10	—
112	—	4	Part of 16	—	—	—	674
112	—	4	Part of 21	—	—	—	516
112	—	4	Part of 22	—	—	—	1633
112	2	1		—	—	—	2627
112	10	8	—	—	—	—	1989
112	21	18	—	—	—	—	600
112	—	14 & 4	6 & 15	—	—	—	1362
112	—	4	9	—	—	—	1392
112	4	6	—	—	—	—	483
112	5	7	—	—	0	4¾	550
112	7	15	—	—	0	15¾	1907
112	11	2	—	—	0	12	1453
112	13	9	—	—	0	5½	695
112	14	10	—	—	0	3½	423

Dated this 28th day of April, 1949

AMBUBHAI & DIWANJI,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 4204

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME FOR INDIAN YOUTH

Changes In Book Learning Deemed Necessary

Dr. A. E. Morgan, Member, University Commission, Government of India on Possibilities of Basic Education, writing to his friends at Sevagram says:

The question will continue to arise in the field of Basic Education as to how much reliance shall be placed on activities such as weaving and gardening in the earlier years and on wood-working, iron-work etc., in later-years, and how much reliance should be placed on learning from books.

The education of the past 50 years depended almost solely on books, and in India as in America it not only put active, growing children in the prison of the school room for many hours a week, but it tends to reduce the mastery of traditional arts. The new education sometimes goes to the extreme of using no books, and of requiring all education to grow out of home and craft activity.

IDEAL OF EDUCATION

My own ideal of education for young children is that they should grow up in families and villages or other communities of educated and cultured people of fine character. Without school regimentation or 'formality, by sharing in the natural and normal activities of family and community, they would imbibe and inherit most of the cultural values of the past. If a spirit of open-minded inquiry should permeate the community, the natural curiosity and interest of the children would not be killed by the process of trying to make them believe in old customs or old doctrines without question. Questioning is as natural as believing. With a free play of questioning and learning in the friendly sincere atmosphere of home and community, superstition and prejudice gradually fade. The good of the traditional culture will be kept, while the obsolete and the mistaken will be discarded. An ideal community will have a tradition of free critical inquiry and will not be stagnant.

In an ideal community this improved process of all round education and development, without text-books or classes, with only occasional formal teaching, as in learning the multiplication table, would result in finely developed personality. Wherever, any family or community will give their help to realizing that ideal, as I understand is the case at Sevagram, such effort should be welcomed and encouraged.

In my opinion neither India nor the United States can rely wholly on project centred schemes. In America, it is found too expensive even in very well furnished private schools to rely entirely on what in America is called, 'the Project Method', that is learning through the natural and normal activities of living.

EFFECTS OF BOOK LEARNING

Book learning is so deeply intrenched in conventional education that there is constant danger that after slight effort to introduce experience with the natural process of living, such methods will be declared unpracticable or visionary, and teaching will lapse back into the old routine of learning only, or chiefly from books. Lip service may be paid to basic education long after the spirit has departed.

The matter of keeping active, growing boys and girls confined in school of the conventional kind for twenty or thirty hours a week is a form of imprisonment often as painful and as harmful to the child as a penal imprisonment is to an adult.

Most adults forget how it is to be a child. Childhood should have a large amount of time for sharing in home and community life and work, and for play, or just for idleness and service.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME

Taking these various conditions into account, and taking into account also the very great financial burden involved in overcoming illiteracy in India, I should like to suggest the following programme for the early school-years in a village.

"The children of the village would be divided into two groups. Each half would attend school half the six working days of a week, either alternate days or three days at a time. On the other days they would be free to live at home, to help their parents or simply to live and grow.

"The school-days would be under the programme of basic education. Considerable freedom should be left to each teacher and to each community to work out plan as to the relation of learning from life to learning from books.

"There is some interesting evidence to the effect that children learn much than half as much in short study periods than in periods twice as long. The learning process seems to continue in the subconscious mind when out attention is on other matters. If children should attend school three days a week, there would be several advantages. They would have less stress of physical imprisonment, which in my personal opinion is one cause of mal-adjustment in America. They would be living with their families and in the community and would be getting informal education.

Lastly, with a given public expenditure the whole of India's children could be reached nearly twice as soon. In America the loss of traditional arts and culture is great because children are so much cut off from home and community life."

In case of many villages the traditions of common life may have become impoverished that much of the time boys and girls would spend there without direction would be loss rather than gain. Each situation should be judged on its merits, but there should be care lest we overlook those elements of culture that are so elemental that they seem to be a part of nature.

WHY NOT A FIRE BRIGADE FOR CITY'S SUBURBS?

(From Our Own Correspondent)

BANDRA, April 27: A General Meeting of the Bandra Municipal Board was held at the Municipal Hall Bandra, during the weekend with Mr John Netto, President of the Municipality in the chair. At the outset the House on a motion of Mr. P. G Kher, adjourned for five minutes as a mark of respect to the memory of late Mrs. A. Gokhale, a leading Nationalist.

On resuming the Board passed a resolution sanctioning a bill of Rs 200 to the Bombay Firebrigade who were called on the scene of fire at Khar but arrived only after the fire was extinguished but demanded the fee of Rs. 200 according to the rules set for the use of City Firebrigades out of Bombay limits.

There was an argument over this question as a section of the House were of the opinion that as the Firebrigade was not called through the Municipality and was summoned through a private individual the Municipality was not responsible for payment.

Dr. P. A. Dias, who spoke in favour of the resolution said, "taken for granted that some private individual had summoned the Firebrigade and had committed an irregularity, we must be thankful to this individual because he brought relief to distress, adding "if we are to avoid payment on plea of the call not being through the Municipality, then when the Firebrigade was really needed it may not attend."

FIRE BRIGADE FOR SUBURBS

While on this point I like to remind Suburban Municipality that the Suburbs which has a vast area and the increase of the number of houses, with a population nearly as half as Bombay, there is no safety device in case of fire. The Bandra Municipality had an old rickety Firebrigade but that has long been scrapped. Public opinion is that Government must make it compulsory on the three Municipalities, Bandra, Vile-Parle-Andheri and the Kurla Municipalities to purchase a modern Firebrigade and maintain it jointly, keeping it in a centrally situated place so that it could reach any scene of fire when a distress call came. Suburban fires have in the past been completely at the mercy of the Bombay Firebrigades and before the firebrigades actually arrive, the fire usually causes its worst.

THREAT TO MUNICIPALITY

Another important question which raised a pow vow at the meeting was the letter from a ratepayer threatening to sue the Municipality for damage of Rs. 1,750. The facts mentioned were that the ratepayer had applied to the Municipal Engineer for a certificate for 80 bags of cement for repairs of his house which had dangerous cracks in the wall, but the permit was not granted with the result that the roof of the terrace of the said house collapsed damaging the adjoining kitchen of the house. This the ratepayer said was due to negligence and default of the Municipal Engineer in not inspecting the building and his refusal to grant the permit for cement.

Mr. R. G. Nayak, Chairman of the Standing Committee placing the Resolution before the House recommended that the suit, as threatened by the rate-payer, if filed, be defended.

Mr. Dick D'Cruz, who spoke against the resolution reminded the House of their duty to ratepayers. He recalled the Board's appointment of a special committee to look into the ratepayers case, but though two months had passed the special committee had never met once.

After further discussion, the Resolution recommending that the case, if filed be defended was passed.

INCREASING URBAN MILK SUPPLY

Loans For Dairy Farmers

Dairy farmers in Bombay Province intending to take financial assistance from the Government, under its scheme for increasing the urban milk supply announced in December last, should apply for loans to the Dairy Development Officer, Bombay Province, Commonwealth Building, Lakshmi Road, Poona, by May 31, 1949. Every application must be accompanied by a working plan of the proposed dairy with a profit and loss account to show that if given a loan it would become self-supporting and a financial success.

Under the scheme of assistance, the Government intends to promote the development of 13 large scale dairy farms in big towns like Ahmedabad, Poona, Surat, Hubli, Sholapur, Ahmednagar, Belgaum and Nasik, this year.

Stamp Duty Concession For Kolhapur Pleaders

Pleaders in Kolhapur State wishing to enrol themselves as Advocates of the Bombay High Court, are required to pay only the difference between the amount of stamp duty already paid by them while obtaining a sanad in the High Court of the State and the stamp duty payable under Article 30 of Schedule 1 to the Indian Stamp Act, 1899. This concession will remain in force up to December 31, 1949.

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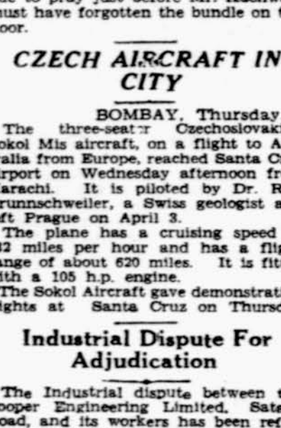

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PAID FOR CAR BUT DIDN'T GET POSSESSION

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Lured by the offer of a brand new Chevrolet Sedan for the modest sum of Rs. 10,000 a Bombay man parted with that amount, to realise later that no Car was forthcoming and he had been a bit hasty.

It was stated before Mr. Oscar H Brown, the Chief Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Court today that one Rasiklal Ramdas Phagudia took Rs. 10,000 from the complainant in the case, promising to hand over, a new Chevrolet Car. This was sometime in January this year.

But as no car was delivered to him, he complained to the police and got him arrested.

The Magistrate directed that the accused be released on a bail of Rs. 10,000.

Big Haul Of Pearls From Mosque

A handful of shining pearls valued at over Rs. 25,000 awaits to be claimed by their rightful owner.

Now in the possession of the police, the bundle containing the pearls came into their possession, not as the result of any smart detective work done by them, but by the sheerest of accidents.

The pearls were discovered by Mr. Kachwala on the floor of a mosque at Abdul Rehman Street on Wednesday afternoon; but they were no gift of Allah!

It is stated that Mr. Kachwala went to the mosque to offer prayers. As he finished his prayer and opened his eyes he saw a curious looking bundle lying in front of him, where he knelt. He opened it and gazed open eyed as he found a handful of genuine pearls tied up in the bundle.

He rose at once, walked to the office of the Police Commissioner close by and handed over the precious cargo.

It is surmised that some Arab pearl merchant who came to the mosque to pray just before Mr. Kachwala must have forgotten the bundle on the floor.

CZECH AIRCRAFT IN CITY

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The three-seater Czechoslovakian Sokol Mis aircraft, on a flight to Australia from Europe, reached Santa Cruz airport on Wednesday afternoon from Karachi. It is piloted by Dr. Rolf Brunnschweiler, a Swiss geologist and left Prague on April 3.

The plane has a cruising speed of 132 miles per hour and has a flight range of about 620 miles. It is fitted with a 105 h.p. engine.

The Sokol Aircraft gave demonstration flights at Santa Cruz on Thursday

Industrial Dispute For Adjudication

The Industrial dispute between the Cooper Engineering Limited, Satara Road, and its workers has been referred for adjudication to the Industrial Tribunal of Mr. M. K. Trilokekar.

Weather Bulletin For Farmers

FORECAST VALID TILL THE MORNING OF 30-4-1949. A few light showers in Karnatak districts.

OUTLOOK FOR THE NEXT TWO DAYS. Extension of showers in Telungana.

CITY & SUBURBS

To-day

Hindu: Vaishakh Shud 1, 2005.
Muslim: Jamad-ul-Akher 29, 1368.
Parsi: Avan 29, 1318.
Sunrise: 6-12 a.m. Sunset: 7-0 p.m.
Hightide: 00-06, 12-56.
Lowtide: 06-18, 18-49.
MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: 3-40 p.m. (S. T.).

To-day's Engagements

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study class on "Is it necessary to Pray" today (Friday), at 6-15 p.m., at Jehangir Wadia Building, Opp. Flora Fountain.

PRINCESS PRABHAVATI FAJE'S LECTURE: Princess Prabhavati Raje will give a series of lectures on Hindu Culture and Hindu Code. She will address two meetings under the auspices of Young Men's Hindu Association at Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall, today (Friday), at 6 p.m. and at Bhannan Manavda Hall, Girgaum, on Saturday, at 6-30 p.m. An Anti-Hindu Code Conference has also been organised to be held tomorrow (Saturday) and Sunday, (1st May), at the All Religions Conference Pandal at Marine Drive where Princess Prabhavati will be the principal speaker.

BOMBAY PRIVATE MOTOR DRIVERS' UNION: The Bombay Private Motor Drivers' Union has made arrangements for renewing the driving licences of the private motor drivers. The private drivers have to wait for long hours in queue for getting their licences renewed. Those drivers who wish to take advantage of this facility should give their licences between 5 and 9 p.m. in the Union's office at 42, Kennedy Bridge, Girgaum, except on Sunday.

AMAR HIND MANDAL: Vasant Vyakhan Mala programme today (Friday), at 7 p.m. Lecture by A. F. S. alias Bobby Talyarkhan on the "Future of Sports in India", at 9-30 p.m., "Brain Trust."

Future of Sports in India", and at Adult Education Committee of Student's Department of B. P. C. C. a Film show has been arranged today (Friday), at 10 p.m., at by lane of Chowpatty.

COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner will meet elected members of Ward No. 19 today (Friday) at 8-30 a.m. (S. T.), at Mazagaon Tram Terminus and go round with them in the Ward.

GENERAL MOTORS INDIA LTD. EMPLOYEES UNION: A meeting of the members of the Managing Committee of the General Motors be held at the Union today (Friday), India Ltd. Staff Union will be held at the Union Office today (Friday), at 5-30 p.m., sharp.

MAHARASHTRA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Reception to Dharma Prakash Shreenivasayya, Proprietor, Mysore Soap and Chemical Works and a noted industrialist, who visits the Chamber today (Friday), at 4-00 p.m.

SILK MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION: Annual General Meeting, 4 p.m. Reception to Mr. S. K. Patil, 5-30 p.m. At Religions Conference Pandal.

PROGRESSIVE GROUP: Meeting to felicitate Mr. S. K. Patil, Green's, 6-15 p.m.

BOMBAY SOCIETY OF MODEL ENGINEERS: Display of technical and Scientific films, B. E. S. T., 6-30 p.m.

GUJARATI HINDU STREE MANDAL, SANTA CRUZ: A Silver Jubilee entertainment programme will be held today at 7-30 p.m. Passes for admission can be had up to the time of the entertainment at the Mandal's Office.

A. I. DISPLACED GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES' CONFERENCE

The Secretary of the Displaced Sind Government Employees' Association, New Delhi, writes:—

A Conference of Displaced Government Employees of various Provinces has been convened by the Displaced Government Employees' Association, by about the middle of May next, in the Constitution Club, New Delhi. The object of the Conference is to press the rights and privileges of Displaced Government Employees, particularly those in regard to their permanency in service. Efforts are being made to request Dr. Rajendra Parsadji to preside over the Conference. All Displaced Government Employees are requested to participate in the Conference on payment of Delegate fee of Rupe one only.

BOMBAY TENANTS ASSOCIATION: At the annual general meeting of the Bombay Tenants Association held on 24th April at the Social Service League Hall, the election was well-contested. Among office-bearers Mr. N. G. Dalvi continues as President, Mr. A. N. Namjoshi as General Secretary and Mr. R. B. Patel as Treasurer, while Miss P. N. Nariman and Mr. Arvindchandra Trivedi were elected as Vice-Presidents and Mr. Jatubhai Mehta as General Secretary for the first time.

The Working Committee of 28 members was then elected.

YARN MERCHANTS ASSN: The following Managing Committee has been elected at the annual general meeting: Ratilal Dahyabhai Shah, (President,) Mangaldas Gopaldas Parekh, (Vice-President,) Nanakchand Devidas Khanna, (Hon. Treasurer,) M. R. Bharucha, Punjalal N. Shah, Shivlal Vithaldas, Mafatlal Nagindas Mehta, Purshotamdas Popatlal, Ramdas Mehra, Sankalchand G. Shah, V. H. Hazarat, Haridas Nensi, Mohanlal Daulatram Shah, Kasturbhai Trikamlal, Ratilal Nathalal Parekh, and Chimanlal Vadilal.

Patiala Maharaja Opens Rajpur-Kalka Road

AMBALA, April 28. (API)—The Maharaja of Patiala, opening the 17-mile long Rajpura—Kalua road last evening, emphasised the need for a co-ordinating programme of road construction with an organised system of transport. The new road, which cost the Patiala and East Punjab States Union Rs. 1,500,000 reduces the road distance from Amritsar to Kalka by 15 miles.

The Maharaja also performed the opening ceremony last evening of the Yadvendra bridge over the Sukhna Nadi, at a place 24 miles west of Ambala.

Indian Envoy To Argentina

NEW DELHI, April 28. (API)—Mr. Jamshed B. Vesugar has been appointed India's Ambassador in the Argentina, it was officially announced today. Mr. Vesugar was formerly Trade Commissioner in New York.

MR. KHATAU DAYAL
New W.I.A.A. President

At a meeting of the Managing Committee of the W.I.A.A. held on Tuesday evening Mr. Khatau G. Dayal was unanimously elected President of the Association for the year 1949-1950. Mr. E. A. Nadirshah and Mr. P. M. Chinai were elected Vice-Presidents.

Probably the youngest member to become the President of the Association Mr. Dayal is a keen enthusiastic motorist who even, before he came on the W.I.A.A.'s Committee some ten years ago, was actively connected with the Association's motor sports such as Treasure Hunt and Reliability Trials in which he used to participate. He has been the Vice-President of the W.I.A.A. for the past 2 years and on the Committee has held the portfolios of Sports and Competitions and Breakdown Service for a number of years.

Mr. Dayal is in the iron and steel business and is Honorary Secretary of the W.I.A.A. Club House. He is also on the Committee of the Passengers' and Traffic Relief Association.

Radio

BOMBAY, Friday, April 29
244 m. (1,231 kc/s)
31.41 m. (9,550 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. Ram Karandikar (Vocal music) 7-45 Manbendranath Dass (Sitar recital) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 Sushama Divetra 8-45 News (G)

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)
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31.41 m. (9,550 kc/s)
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VARIATIONS
353 m. (850 kc/s)
41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)
7-45 a.m. News (K) 8-0 Kaushalya Manjeshwar (Vocal music) 8-30 News (M) 8-45 Bhojne and Party (Bhajans).
353 m. (850 kc/s)
31.41 m. (9,550 kc/s)
12-50 p.m. News (M) 1-0 Musical Interlude 1-10 Bhajanvali 1-40 News (H) 1-50 Mahila Mandal Programme of special interest to women in Gujarati.
353 m. (850 kc/s)
41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)
5-0 to 7-15 p.m.
61.48 m. (4,880 kc/s)
7-30 to 11-0 p.m.

5-30 p.m. G. G. Kharadkar (Violin) 6-0 Dattatraya Lonkhadi (Vocal music) 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners 7-30 Commercial News 7-45 News (K) 8-0 News (M) 8-15 Dattatraya Lonkhadi (Vocal music) 8-30 Talk (M) 9-0 Alap Aur Dhamar Malguni 9-40 Anything Goes 9-45 For the Universities Talk in English 10-0 Vocal Music 10-30 Kausalya Manjeshwar (Vocal music).

BARODA: AHMEDABAD, Friday, April 29.
250 m. (1,200 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. Ghazalen Aur Quawallis 8-0 News (E) 8-15 Munshi Mohammad Sultan (Hindi Bhajano) 8-30 Hasumati Majumdar 8-45 News (G) 9-0 News (E) 6-0 p.m. News (E) 6-10 Baijnath Amriya (Clarionet Recital, Baroda) 6-10 Topical Item till 6-35 p.m. (Ahmedabad).
326.1 m. (920 kc/s)
6-35 p.m. V. R. Pimpalaskar (Bhajan) 6-35 Gramjano Mate Programme for rural listeners (Baroda) 6-35 Music (Ahmedabad) 7-0 Munshi Mohammad Sultan (Ghazal and Qawwali) 7-15 Prashnnottari Quiz presented by Supandhu Trivedi 7-30 Sudhakar Mehta (Kedara) 7-45 Topic of the Day 7-55 Jagamohan 8-10 Local Announcements 8-15 News (G) 8-30 National Programme Relayed from Delhi 9-0 News (E) 9-15 Film Songs 9-30 V. R. Pimpalaskar (Darbari) 9-45 Hasumati Majumdar (Geet) 10-0 Sudhakar Mehta.

INDIANS IN MALAYA
Dr. Keskar Stresses Need For Unity

SINGAPORE, April 28 (PTI-Reuter) Dr. B. V. Keskar, Indian Deputy Foreign Minister, in a farewell message issued through the Singapore English language newspaper "Indian Daily Mail", after his three-day Malayan visit urged the necessity of unity for Indians in Malaya.

Dr. Keskar said: "The diversity that is the charm of India should not be used by Indians in Malaya as an argument to divide yourselves into different groups and parties.

"Indian organisations whose aims are to safeguard and promote your separate political, social and economic interests in this country should, where they are not yet on a pan-Malayan basis, strive to attain that position. The natural consequence of such consolidation will be that you will carry more weight in your varied activities through these organisations.

"Remember always that Malaya is a cosmopolitan country. Therefore, the way you conduct yourselves will always remain the yard-stick by which other communities here will measure India's stature."

Dr. Keskar added he did not suggest that Indians here might not hold differing opinions, but he said, "you must draw a sharp line between healthy constructive debate and sloppy destructive criticism."

SUBBULAKSHMI'S CONCERT
Tomorrow At Race Course In Aid Of Gandhi Memorial Fund

(FROM CONGRESS HOUSE)

The India-famous Subbulakshmi is arriving in Bombay today to give her charity concert in aid of the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Fund at the Race Course tomorrow, (Saturday), from 8-30 p.m. The repertoire of her songs is going to be very wide in its range.

Tickets worth more than Rs. 50,000 of various denominations have been sold and the rest are expected to be sold out in the next day or two.

Elaborate arrangements have been made to organise the crowds which will flock to the function and those attending are advised to come well before time.

His Excellency the Governor has been approached to preside on the occasion

The various centres for selling tickets which include the Taj Hotel, Chetna, C.C.I., East India Cotton Association, the Indian Merchants' Chamber will be closing down today evening and tickets will be thereafter sold at the Congress House and at the gates of the Race Course tomorrow (Saturday), between 9 a.m. and 12 noon and 4 p.m. onwards.

Those members of the Committee and others including Associations and institutions who have taken tickets for sale are requested to return the unsold ones, if any, to the Secretaries Subbulakshmi Concert Committee, B.P.C.C., Congress House, Bombay 4 by Friday evening.

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Candidates with the following roll numbers have passed the examination for the Diploma in Basic Education:

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Second Class: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 17 18 19 20 22 23 26 27 28 29 30 32 and 33.
Third Class: 24.
DHARWAR CENTRE
Second Class: 2 5 6 7 8 11 12 13 15 16 and 17.
Third Class: 1 3 4 9 10 14 18 and 19.
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Third Class: 1 and 2.

VIRLE PARLE'S LOSS

Popular and prominent citizen of Vile Parle, Sjt. Govindji Kalidas Jani who died recently, was staying in the suburb for over 20 years and was found ever in the forefront extending his hand of active co-operation and help in various social and cultural activities.

His worthy sons have declared their intention to erect a students' Boarding at Savarkundla (Saurashtra) and have also donated good sums for the various humanitarian purposes to

Late G. K. Jani

perpetuate the memory of their father.

At the age of 14, the late Sjt. Govindji K. Jani came to Bombay from his home village Manguka in Palitana State and started his career with a monthly salary of Rs. 7/- only.

An honest and hard worker, with amicable disposition, Mr. Jani started a factory. The C-J. Textile Accessories Works, at Vile Parle to manufacture wire heads the first of its kind in India.

The late Sjt. G. K. Jani was a true friend of lowliest of the low and was ever ready in every possible way to help the distressed and the needy.

Uniform For Madras Medical Students

MADRAS, April 28 (A.P.I.): Trousers and bush coats should constitute the dress of medical students, the Madras Government have informed all medical colleges in the province.

This dress is "economical and suitable to the local climate", the Government circular stated. No dress for girl students has, however, been stipulated.

During the budget session of the Madras Assembly the Public Health Minister, Mr. A. B. Shetty, had stated that Government were considering prescribing a uniform dress for medical students.

ASSAM EXTERNS ABDUL HAMID KHAN

SHILLONG, April 28. (API)—Maulana Abdul Hamid Khan, former President of the Assam Provincial Muslim League, has been externed from the province.

The externment order states that the step has been taken to prevent him from acting in any manner prejudicial to the public safety and maintenance of Public Order.

G. MERCHANT'S PORTRAIT UNVEILED
Former Judge Of Small Causes Court

BOMBAY, Thursday.

An oil painting of the late Mr. Gulamali G. Merchant, a prominent Advocate and a former Judge of the Court of Small Causes, Bombay, was unveiled in the Library Room of the Court of Small Causes today by the Chief Judge Mr. M. S. Noronha in the presence of the other Judges and a large gathering of the members of the Bar.

Mr. A. S. Davar, President of the Bombay Advocates' Association, in requesting Mr. Noronha to unveil the portrait, referred to the late Mr. Gulamali as a man of many qualities and activities.

Mr. Noronha in unveiling the portrait recalled that Mr. Gulamali had distinguished himself both as an advocate as well as a Judge and had endeared himself to all with whom he came in contact. His judgments were always well considered and sound.

Mr. Gulamali was the first member of the Khoja community to be appointed Judge. It was he who had first suggested the consolidation of Trusts in his talk on Wakfs on the Radio about 1938. He was also a Justice of the Peace for the city of Bombay.

WEATHER
WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, April 28. (API)—The following is the daily weather summary for Thursday the 28th April 1949:—

Thundershowers have been widespread in Assam and local in West Bengal and Bihar. A few thundershowers have also been reported from Mysore and Malabar.

Day temperatures were appreciably above normal over the region from the East Punjab and the West United Provinces to the north Deccan and Gujarat and markedly so in the East Punjab. Night temperatures were appreciably above normal the West Deccan, the West United Provinces and the East Punjab.

Forecast valid until the evening of 29th—Thundershowers will occur locally in Assam and West Bengal and at a few stations in Orissa, Chotanagpur, Mysore and Malabar.

WEATHER CHART

POONA, April 28, (API): The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from 21st April 1949 and departure from normal recorded at 8-0 hours (IST) on 28th April 1949:—

Ahmedabad 108 79 0 0 minus 0.1 Ahmednagar 107 82 0 0 minus 0.4 Ajmer 107 87 0 0 minus 0.1 Bangalore 94 73 0 1.6 plus 0.1 Baroda 112 76 0 0 0 Belgaum 98 70 0 1.5 minus 0.2 BOMBAY 92 79 0 0 0 Calcutta 89 82 0 6.0 plus 4.4 Cherrapunji 61 56 4.8 32.9 plus 8.5 Colombo 87 73 7 23.8 plus 14.8 Darjiling 55 9 0.7 8.9 plus 5.2 Dehradun 99 71 0 0.8 plus 0.2 Delhi 107 76 0 0 minus 0.3 Hyderabad (Dn) 106 79 0 0.3 minus 0.3 Jubbulpore 109 68 0 0 minus 0.3 Kanpur (UP) 110 75 0 0 minus 0.2 Kodaikanal 70 53 0.3 2.5 minus 2.0 Kolhapur 106 74 0 0.5 Madras 97 81 0 0.9 plus 03 0.3 Mahabaleshwar 93 71 0 0 minus 1.1 Mangalore 91 83 0 0 minus 1.4 Marmagao 90 —0 0 minus 1.3 Nagpur 112 80 0.1 minus 0.5 Ootacamund 61 53 0 3.5 plus 0.9 Patna 89 75 0 0.8 plus 0.5 Poona 108 76 0 0 minus 0.6 Sholapur 110 82 0 0 minues 1.5 Simla 78 61 0 1.9 plus 0.2 Surat 106 78 0 0 0.

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FILMS TO SEE THIS WEEK

An eerie scene in "Urubu", a story based on an expedition into the jungles of Brazil.

"JULIA MISBEHAVES"
At Metro Theatre

Greer Garson, the screen's top dramatic actress, now shows herself a brilliant comedienne as well in the hilarious "Julia Misbehaves" in which she is currently appearing at the METRO THEATRE with her partner of many earlier hits, Walter Pidgeon.

Based upon the widely-read novel, 'The Nutmeg Tree' by Margery Sharp this saga of a lusty London showgirl who captivates every man's heart except her husband's gives Miss Garson the laugh role of her career as the fun-loving Julia Packet, down to her last pawn ticket but too proud to accept help from Bill, the husband from whom she is separated, or Susan, the daughter she has not seen in fourteen years.

It is an invitation to Susan's wedding which brings the recalcitrant Julia back into the fold of the stuffy county family from which she had been banished, and she gives them plenty of cause to regret this mistaken gesture. First of all, she becomes involved with a boisterous troupe of acrobats then she swindles and over-amorous friend of the family in a mirthful gambling casino episode, next she persuades Susan to cancel her marriage plans to a dull fiance and to elope instead with the man of her heart—and, finally, she tops it all by winning back husband Bill through an hilarious series of adventures involving a picnicking bear, a storm-isolated cabin, and a dunking in the frigid waters of a lake!

The teaming of Miss Garson and Pidgeon, always an adroit one, is happier than ever in their present roles and they make the most of every comedy situation. Peter Lawford paints an engaging picture of the impetuous young artist who steals Susan from under her very suitor's nose with Susan enacted by the attractive Elizabeth Taylor and Cesar Romero contributes a felicitous performance as the head of the acrobatic troupe.

Other laugh-makers include the veteran Mary Roland as the tipsy 'Ma Ghenoccio" Nigel Bruce as the self-styled ladies' man who is duped by Julia at the gambling casino, Lucile Watson as the over-bearing dowager who tries in vain to put Julia in her place, and Reginald Owen as the pawnbroker who isn't surprised at anything Julia does—even to her act of forestalling her creditors by barricading herself in a bubble bath!

"URUBU"
At The Strand

The story of "Urubu" concerns the breath-taking expedition of two fearless explorers, George Breakston and Yorke Coplen, into the steaming Matto Grosso jungles of Brazil where few white men ever have dared to venture. The explorers play their real-life roles in the film with an all-native cast of Indians featured.

They are in search of another explorer, Col. James Fawcett, a legendary Englishman who had headed a similar expedition into the Matto Grosso 25 years before and had not been heard from since. After an awesome trip starting from Belem the gateway to the Amazon, during which they are constantly fighting tropical heat, torrential rains and the deadly beasts that make the Matto Grosso their home, the explorers meet up with an English doctor who calls himself White. He has been living with the Indians so long they have come to look upon him as a witch doctor.

White tells the explorers the strange story of a white girl who, it is rumored, was recently kidnapped by the fierce Urubus. He begs them to rescue her. Through his deep knowledge of the primitive Indian territory, he is able to lead them right to the stronghold of the dreaded Urubus.

Here, after a terrific battle with these Vulture People who consider the white man their deadly enemy the girl is rescued. The mystery of Col. Fawcett's disappearance is solved also, when the explorers discover a white man among the Indians they had killed. Even though his face and body are tattooed with the Urubu signs, they can still recognize him as the man whom they were seeking.

WHAT'S WHERE in Bombay

REGAL:
"WHIPLASH" starring Dane Clark, Alexis Smith, Zachary Scott, Eve Arden, Jeffrey Lynn, Alan Hale and S. Z. Zakall.

NEW EMPIRE:
"THE NOOSE HANGS HIGH" starring Bud Abbott, Lou Castello, Joseph Calleia, Cathy Downs and Leon Erroll. No morning show on Sunday, May 1.

METRO:
"JULIA MISBEHAVES" starring Greer Garson, Cesar Romero, Elizabeth Taylor, Peter Lawford, Reginald Owen, Lucille Watson, Henry Stephenson, Nigel Bruce, and Mary Boland.

STRAND:
"URUBU", Jungle story.

PARADISE:
"ROAD TO RIO" starring Bing Crosby.

BANDRA:
"LIFE WITH FATHER" starring Irene Dunne, and William Powell.

A sequence from "Whiplash" starring Dane Clark and Alexis Smith.

"WHIPLASH" At The Regal

A happy-go-lucky young man, and his love for a beautiful woman provide the running drama of Warner Bros.' new film, "Whiplash", starring Dane Clark, Alexis Smith, Zachary Scott and Eve Arden, which opens today at the Regal.

Lew Seler irected this briskly-paced drama of raw emotions which unfolds for the most part against the Monterey coastline, then to New York where Clark becomes involved in gunplay and a sinister gang of mobsters. Miss Smith plays the night club singer who falls in love with Clark.

Clark's romance for Miss Smith in the film provides the motivation of the story. The 'heavy' interest is supplied by Scott who dominates Miss Smith and certain segments of the sports world. Miss Arden, fourth member of the starring quartet, essports world. Miss Aden, fourth says the role of a wise-cracking friend to Clark adding comedy bits to the proceedings.

Jeffrey Lynn, S. Z. Sakall, Alan Hale, Douglas Kennedy and fighter Fred Steele are prominent in the supporting cast.

SEAMEN DEMONSTRATE OUTSIDE CORPORATION

But Socialist Move To Criticise Commissioner Fails

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A small group of seamen demonstrated with slogans and placards outside the Municipal Buildings this evening when a special meeting of the Corporation was in session to discuss a Socialist-sponsored resolution criticising the Commissioner of Police for having "prevented" a conference of Bombay seamen from being held at the Cama Hall on April 19.

The proposition, which was rejected after some debate, asked the Mayor to address the Government of Bombay stating that the Corporation were of the opinion that this "infringement of the right of assembly not only cuts at the very root of the Trade Union movement but is not conducive to the promotion of peace in industry."

Moving the resolution, Mr. S. S. Kavlekar said that the Commissioner's action was all the more objectionable in view of the fact that the Conference was to be held under the auspices of the Seamen's Union, Bombay, an organisation which had been functioning for the last ten years and more as a duly registered body under the Indian Trade Unions Act. The object of the Conference was to create public opinion against "bribery and corruption" which were rampant in the recruitment of seamen.

Mr. Kavlekar recalled that an Officer of the International Labour Organisation had given the verdict that the two evils were prevalent in the recruitment of seamen in Bombay. The mover held that the banning of the Conference amounted to a violation of the workers' right of freedom of association and said: "Slowly our faith in democracy is dying. No liberty can flourish under these conditions".

Mr. G. G. Mehta said that during the past four or five months no union meetings were being allowed in the Fort area of the city. Even general body meetings were not being permitted. He pointed that the recent convention of the I.L.O. had agreed that every union should have the fundamental right of freedom of association.

CHARGE OF VIOLENCE

Mr. A. H. Mirza, opposing the resolution, charged that the section of the seamen who were agitating on the issue in question had indulged in violence on a few occasions by marching to shipping company offices and breaking windows and chairs.

Mr. Dinkar Desai asked why the Police Commissioner and the Chairman of the Port Trust, both of them ex-officio members of the Corporation, were not present at the special meeting, though the subject of discussion concerned them.

Mr. Desai said that the question of Indian seamen had become one of national concern because 90 per cent of them were employed by British shipping companies, who were treating them like "slaves". Invariably, sums of Rs. 100 to Rs. 200 were being demanded from new recruits before appointment, he alleged.

Mr. Naushir Bharucha said that the Police Commissioner had no right to ban meetings of executive committees of unions and his action was "ultra vires".

"WORKERS ABUSE PRIVILEGES'

Mr. D. V. Patel pointed out that the workers were "abusing the privilege of freedom of association". He was of the view that the seamen were guilty of acts of violence on more than one occasion.

The resolution was put to vote and declared defeated.

B.E.S.T. BOSS

The House approved of the B.E.S.T Committee's appointment of Mr. J. P. L. Shenoy as Acting General Manager of the Municipalised Transport Organisation.

When the debate on the resolution was resumed Mr. G. G. Mehta said that the B.E.S.T. were going to have as General Manager and Deputy General Manager two persons without any experience of running a transport organisation. He asked why those high-ranking officials who had put in 15 to 20 years service in the B.E.S.T. Company should not be raised to those posts.

Mr. A. H. Mirza drew attention to the fact that Mr. Shenoy had won wide esteem in Madras as that city's Municipal Commissioner and recalled that a whole residential area had been named after him. He was of the view that the General Manager need not himself be a qualified technical man but could act efficiently on the counsel of his advisers.

POONA SPRING LECTURE SERIES

POONA, April 28. (API)—The annual spring lecture series in Poona will be inaugurated this year on May 1, by Mr. G. L. Mehta, President of the Indian Tariff Board. This popular series was founded in 1875 by the late Justice M. G. Ranade, and held regularly every year except for a break of about 10 years after which it was revived by the late Lokamanya Tilak. Political leaders, literatuers, social reformers and other prominent personalities, including Pandit Nehru, Babu Subash Chandra Bose, Mrs. Sarojini Naidu and Dr. Annie Besant, have made speeches under the auspices of the series.

U. S. DIPLOMAT CONFERS WITH JACOB MALIK

Western Bloc's Attitude With Regard To Berlin Blockade Explained

LAKE SUCCESS, April 27, (U.P.A.): The United States today explained to Russia the position of the Western Powers concerning a Foreign Ministers' Council meeting on Germany and lifting of the Berlin blockade, but an American spokesman warned not to expect any rapid developments.

Philip Jessup, American Ambassador-at large, conferred for an hour-and-a-half with Jacob Malik, Russia's chief delegate to the United Nations at the Soviet headquarters on Park Avenue in mid-town New York.

The American delegation to the United Nations issued a brief statement but Porter McKeever, Chief Press spokesman for the United States here flatly refused to give any intimate details of the meting which optimistic observers hoped, would lead to easing of the cold war between Moscow and the West.

McKeever said that there were no plans for another meeting but he added: "If either side feels that it is desirable to get together again they will inform each other and do so. This conforms with past practice in this series of informal exchanges."

McKeever disclosed that immediately following his meeting with Malik, Jessup met at the United States headquarters in New York with Sir Alexander Cadogam of Britain and Jean Chauvel, French delegate to the United Nations, to discuss the conference.

The statement issued by the American delegation after the meeting said: "In its statement to the press yesterday, the State Department noted that Jessup would have a further talk with Malik in continuation of the informal conversations which had taken place regarding the lifting of the Berlin blockade and a possible meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers. Jessup saw Malik today as planned and communicated to him informally the position of the three Governments. The Governments of France and of the United Kingdom will, of course, be informed concerning these conversations."

(The Soviet-controlled Berlin Radio said that the United States has asked Russia for a formal note outlining Moscow's conditions for lifting the Berlin blockade.)

McKeever met newspapermen at Lake Success shortly after the conference. He refused to give any details beyond the official statement and declined even to describe Jessup's "mood" after the meeting. He said: "It was simply a continuation of the series of informed exchanges of views and any detailed summary would completely alter the character of the exchange. I don't think it would be right to anticipate any rapid developments."

Jessup arrived at Malik's office promptly at 12-30 p.m. EDT. He stepped out from a black limousine and walked briskly past reporters dismissing them with repeated "no statement, no statement."

Jessup read to Malik a statement on the American position which has full support from Britain and France. Although it could not be officially confirmed the note was believed to have set forth the West's firm view that the Council of Foreign Ministers could not be convened until the Russian blockade and the Allied counter-blockade of Berlin were lifted completely.

Jessup was unaccompanied on his visit to Malik's office. However, after Jessup had left the Russian headquarters, Kuzma Kiselev, Byelorussian Foreign Minister, emerged from Malik's office and told reporters that he and Andrei Gromyko, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister had sat-in in the conference.

McKeever said: "The note was read to be absolutely sure that the formulation of our position was precise."

Jessup arrived from Washington by the night train this morning and attended a meeting of the American U.N. delegation at 9 a.m for an hour. He then conferred with Senator Warren Austin, Chief United States delegate to the United Nations, "on Washington developments of last couple of days..."

SPECIAL COMMISSIONER FOR BARODA

Dehejia Appointed: Dr. Jivraj Mehta To Be Chief Adviser To Central And Bombay Governments

The Government of Bombay is taking over the administration of Baroda State with effect from Sunday, May 1, 1949, and has appointed Mr. V. T. Dehejia, I.C.S., to be Special Commissioner for Baroda State. Mr. Dehejia will be in charge of the executive administration of the State from that date subject to the general supervision and control of the Bombay Government.

Mr. Dehejia has had varied administrative and Secretariat experience in the provinces and in the Centre.

Dr. Jivraj Mehta, who vacates his office as Dewan of Baroda State on May 1, 1949, the date of integration of the State with Bombay Province, is appointed as Chief Adviser to the Government of Bombay as well as to the Government of India with effect from that date on matters pertaining to Baroda State.

SANDUR MERGER ON APRIL 1

MADRAS, April 28. (API)—The Ruler of Sandur has signed an agreement to merge his State with the Madras Province, a press note announced today. The merger would take effect from April 1, 1949.

An official spokesman said today that pending the conclusion of the merger agreement the administration of the State had been taken over last year by the Madras Government at the instance of the Government of India.

Plea For Merger Of Dholpur

AGRA, April 27. (UPI)—At a largely attended meeting of the Harijans held yesterday at Dholpur, about 20 miles from Agra, a resolution was unanimously passed, that the state of Dholpur, should be immediately merged with the United Provinces, so that the people of Dholpur, may enjoy the fruits of freedom as do those of the United Provinces.

Among those who addressed the meeting, was Mr. Ram Chand Sehra, M.L.A., (Harijan) U.P., Mr. P. N. Shiromani, a member of the Agra Municipal Board and Balumukund Balla.

A similar meeting was held at Raj Khera in Dholpur.

REPLACE MILITARY GOVERNMENT IN HYDERABAD

Muslim Deputationists' Plea To India Government

HYDERABAD, (Deccan), April 28 (UPI): Early formation of a popular Ministry to replace the present military Government in Hyderabad was urged by the Hyderabad Muslim deputation which visited Delhi recently, in the course of a memorandum presented to Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Prime Minister of India, it is learnt.

The Muslim deputation composed of Mr. Younus Salem, Muilah Abdul Basith, Mr. Farid Mirza, Mr. Kamal and two others, returned here on Tuesday last after a fortnight's stay at Delhi and Lucknow.

While at Delhi, the deputationists met the Deputy Prime Minister, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad and Mr. M. K. Vellodi, Secretary to the States Ministry, and discussed with them problems relating to Hyderabad. They also visited Lucknow to attend the annual conference of the Jamiat-E-Ulema.

Other points covered by the memorandum were the relief and rehabilitation of the sufferers, release of persons arrested on flimsy grounds and the cases of suspended officials it is reported.

INDIA LEAGUE OF AMERICA

J. J. Singh Re-elected President

NEW YORK, April 27. (PTI-Reuter) Mr. J. J. Singh was re-elected President of the Indian League of America for the eighth consecutive year at the annual meeting here to-day.

Miss Pearl S. Buck and Dr. Lin Yutang were re-elected as Honorary Presidents. Other officers were re-elected as follows:

Chairman of the Executive Committee—Richard J. Walsh, Vice-President—Louis Fischer, Treasurer—Roger N. Baldwin, Secretary—Yemendra K. Rakhit.

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Punjab Sports Enter Beighton Cup Final

PORT COMMISSIONERS TO MEET TATAS IN SEMI-FINAL

CALCUTTA, April 28 (A.P.I.): Punjab Sports had the distinction of reaching the final of the Beighton Cup Hockey Tournament for the first time in their career by beating Mohan Bagan by one goal to nil today. They will meet the winners of Port Commissioners and Tata Sports Club (Bombay) in the final.

Fresh from their victory over the U. P. Eleven, Punjab Sports provided a sensation and proved to be a giant killer. Against the run of play they scored the all important goal in the twentieth minute of the first half through Sethi. Once one goal up the Punjab defence stood firm against Mohan Bagan attempts to equalise Mohan Bagan forced no less than nine short corners but to the utter surprise of their supporters they failed to convert a single one.

Punjab Sports: Kulkant; Madan and Sarwan; Gurdian, Prokash and Inderjit; Charanjit, Jaswant, Jagdish, Sethi and Harjinder.

Mohan Bagan: B. Sen; D. Banerjee and D. Paul; Sunderlal, Jaswant and S. Roy, Chowdhuri; Dubey, Inderjit, Din Dayal, Kapoor and Kusal.

Umpires: Sudhir Dutta and P. C. Dutta.

In the other match of the evening, Port Commissioners defeated Bangalore Sporting by four goals to two and entered the semi-final of the tournament.

The Port Commissioners and Bangalore Sporting match was the best of the afternoon. The standard of play reached great heights and victory hung in balance when the score stood at two all (2-2).

The Port Team came on top during extra time and scored two more goals in the second half.

The Port Commissioner took the initiative with the start of play and attacked. In the very first minute they scored through G. Singh. Bangalore after a hard fight equalised in the thirteenth minute through right out Ramkrishna and went in the lead in the twenty third minute through Rajagopal. The Calcutta team equalised in the second minute in the second half, G. Singh scoring again. Although defeated by four goals to two Bangalore fought bravely and proved to be a worthy opponent.

Port Commissioners: R. Dunn, B. Kapoor and I. T. Badiali, L. Clandius Kaahab Dutt and Gallibardi; Sanjib Das, G. Singh, G. Glacken, Jansen and N. St. Romaine.

Bangalore Sporting: Rajshekar, McBridge and Chalbanarayan; Ratnam, Parthasarathi and Naydu, Ramkrishna, Guru Moorthy, Kodandapain, Rajagopal and Poosanan.

Umpires: W. Scott and S. Dutt.

The following are the results:—

Punjab Sports 1 (Sethi), Mohan Bagan 0; Port Commissioners 4 (G. Singh 2, Glacken and a penalty goal), Bangalore Sporting 2.

ST. STANISLAUS ENTER FINAL

Dr. Viegas Cup Hockey

BOMBAY, Thursday.

St. Stanislaus High School turned the tables on Dufferin in the Dr. Viegas Cup Hockey Tournament semi-finals this evening. St. Stanislaus won by a solitary goal scored in the fifteenth minute of play. This was the replayed semi-final.

Although Dufferin made most of the play that came their way, they were unable to take full advantage of the numerous opportunities presented. Quite often they were quite well placed but it was a pity to see them shoot wide of the mark.

Tony D'Sa, Correa and B. A. D'Souza were hard working in the forward line particularly Tony D'Sa, who was the focal point of danger to the St. Stanislaus defence, but Concesio the St. Stanislaus pivot was all over the field and proved to be an enthusiastic player. The Dufferin defence was stolid and it was lucky that St. Ltainslaus made use of the only opportunity that came their way.

The all-important goal scored in the 15th minute of play was scooped by Mathew Andrade, the Bandra boy centre forward. The final of the tournament between St. Stanislaus and Little Flower will be played on Saturday at 4-30 p.m. Mr. J. M. Brand will preside and Mrs. Brand will give away the prizes.

In the Day's Sport

HOCKEY
Association
5 p.m. R.I.N. Inter Units Finals.
FOOTBALL
Cooperage
4-15 p.m. Colaba New Star vs. Union S. C. (Summersgill)
5-40 p.m. Dockyard vs. General Motors (Nadkarni Cup)
St. Xaviers Ground, Parel.
3-45 p.m. B.P.T. vs. B.B. & C.I. Rly. "A" 4-45 Globe S. C. vs. Bombay Gas S. C. 5-45 p.m. C. B. Police vs. Mazagaon Dock. (III Div. Harwood League).
G.I.P. Rly. Ground, Parel
4-40 p.m. B.B. & C.I. Rly "B" vs. Bombay Metal & Alloys 5-40 p.m. Kohinoor Mills S. C. vs. Cosmopolitan S. C. (IV Div. Harwood League).
BILLIARDS
Islam Gymkhana
6 to 8 p.m. C. N. Thosar vs. Dr. M. K. Sathe (Billiards) 9 to 11 p.m. W. F. Lory vs. G. Singh (Snooker).

St. Xavier's Register A Win

CORDEIRO WOMEN'S HOCKEY LEAGUE

BOMBAY, Thursday.

St. Xavier's College beat Bombay Grey's "C" by two goals to nil in the Cordeiro Women's Hockey League, Junior Division this evening. St. Xaviers were full value for the points they gained and were definitely the better side.

In the attack Banoo Gazdar, Cynthia, Figueredo and Homai Dubash were conspicuous, while Diana D'Souza was brilliant in defence for St. Xavier's. For the Greys, Miss Watts, was brilliant and hard working in attack but received little support from the others. Miss Morris was outstanding in the defence.

A sensational goal in the third minute of play put St. Xavier's College in the lead. After a goal mouth melee in which things looked at sixes and sevens and the goalkeeper lying across goalmouth trying to save, Homai Dubash dashed the ball to the boards. Four minutes later St. Xavier's right inner, Cynthia Figueredo sent in a slinging shot to score her sides second goal.

After this St. Xaviers did not resort to any change in tactics but attacked and defended when required. Greys had a few chances, but Miss Betty Farias came out from under the bar to save on all occasions well. St. Xaviers too had ample opportunity of improving their position, but their forwards lacked sting.

BURMAH SHELL IN DRAWN MATCH

Nadkarni Cup Football

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Although extra time was played this evening Burmah Shell Sports Club and Indian Gymkhana failed to arrive at a decision in the quarter finals of the Nadkarni Cup Football Tournament.

A goodly crowd watched what proved to be the best match of the season, so far and the most interesting one too. It was fairly evenly contested and some brilliant desplays were witnessed both in team work and in individual footwork.

Both sides had many good scoring opportunities, but a draw was the inevitable result.

Rego opened the Oilmen's account in the 20th minute of play with a stinging shot to goal off a pass from centre forward Barathan and it looked as though they would make further headway, but till the breather the score remained the same.

In the fifth minute after resumption of play a penalty kick awarded against the Oilmen resulted in Indian Gymkhana gaining the equalizer through their outside left Raghawan and things looked as though a draw would result and hence extra time was played but to no avail. Indian Gymkhana missed a glorious scoring chance in the last, but one minute of play when Raghwan took a powerful kick from close in, the ball hit the cross bar and rebounded into play and was soon tried again by Barathan, but he shot above the cross bar.

WESTERN INDIA BILLIARDS

Peermahomed Wins Easily

BOMBAY, Thursday.

In the Western India Billiards Championship played at the Islam Gymkhana this evening H. D. Peermahomed gained an easy victory over his rival C. V. Sampat. The final score was 599 for Peermahomed to which Sampat replied with 319.

At the end of the first hour's play Peermahomed had scored 260, while Sampat got 176 and Peermahomed put in one good break of 42. He took things very lightly and swept things clear all the way.

In the Snooker match played later in the evening A. Pinto Phillips beat C. V. Sampat in straight frames of 50-22, and 64-17. A. Pinto Phillips recorded a break of 18.

PROPOSED NEHRU STADIUM

Mr. De Mello Meets Rajkumari Amrit Kaur

NEW DELHI, April 28 (API): Mr. A. S. DeMello, Hon. Secretary of the National Sports Club of India, met Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, President of the Club today in connection with the proposed Nehru Stadium Park to be constructed in New Delhi. Earlier, Mr. DeMello inspected the site for the park.

He also saw the Maharaja of Patiala, Chairman of the Working Committee of the Club in this connection.

The Working Committee of the Club will meet in New Delhi in July.

RS. 45,000 FOR GANDHI FUND

A.-I. Chemists & Druggists Association's Collection Handed Over To Gilder

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A sum of Rs. 45,000 collected by the All-India Chemists and Druggists Association for the Mahatma Gandhi National Memorial Fund was handed over to Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister for Health, Government of Bombay today.

At the fifth annual general meeting of the Federation, which was inaugurated by Dr. Gilder at the Indian Merchants Chamber Hall this afternoon, representatives from Bombay, Madras, Delhi and Calcutta, who attended the meeting assured the Government of their full co-operation in rebuilding the nation.

Mr. P. N. Upadhayaya who presided, however, brought to the notice of the authorities the hardships and difficulties that the trade was experiencing due to the imposition of the Drug Control Order, Sales tax on medicine and increase in licence fees and urged their removal in the interest of the public. Mr. Upadhayaya also complained that their trade was not represented on the important Advisory Committee of the Government of India, as a result of which, he said, the trade as well as the public were put to inconvenience and requested the Government to give them proper representation on the Committee.

GILDER'S ASSURANCE

Dr. Gilder while inaugurating the meeting assured the Federation that if their difficulties so far as the operation of the Drug Control Order was concerned, were properly represented to the Government, they would be considered sympathetically. He urged the members of the Federation to coperate wholeheartedly with the authorities in putting down malpractices in the trade.

Referring to their contribution to Gandhi Memorial Fund, Dr. Gilder thanked the Federation and said that it was the duty of every Indian to contribute his or her quota to the Fund for it was to be used for the good of the masses in the country.

Earlier, Mr. Champaklal C. Dava wala welcomed the Minister and the representatives who had come to attend the meeting from different parts of the country.

RUSSIAN AND CHINESE AS U. N. WORKING LANGUAGES

Britain And U.S. Oppose Proposal On Economic Grounds

LAKE SUCCESS, April 28 (PTI-Reuter): Strong opposition by the United Kingdom and the United States to the adoption of Russian and Chinese as working languages of the United Nations General Assembly has arisen in the Assembly's Budgetary Committee.

China and Russia had proposed the adoption of the two languages.

Sir John Mathews (Britain) said yesterday that the Secretariat estimated the cost of adding the two languages to the present list of working languages—English, French, and Spanish—at 1,700,000 dollars annually.

Two hundred employees would be needed for translations and the preparation of documents, he said. It was extremely doubtful whether the additional expenditure involved would be justified since all important documents and resolutions were already translated into Russian and Chinese and any other document could be translated into those languages at the request of any delegation.

Mr. John Rose (United States) said that the addition of Russian and Chinese to the working languages would introduce a "Tower of Babel" atmosphere into the Secretariat, and the added cost would not be justified.

SOVIET CHARGE AGAINST SECRETARIAT

Mr. Alexander Soldatov (Soviet Union) accused the Secretariat of having been guilty of "tendentiousness and monstrous inconsistency", and "exaggeration" in its estimate of the cost of the proposal.

Dr. C. L. Hsia (China) said the question was political as well as financial. The introduction of Chinese as an official language would encourage unity in the United Nations. He also accused the Secretariat of overestimating the cost of the proposal.

Anglo-Abyssinian Exchange Of Ambassadors

LONDON, April 27 (PTI-Reuter): The British and Abyssinian Governments have decided to raise their Legations in Addis Ababa and London to the status of Embassies, the British Foreign Office announced here today.

The New Ambassadors, it was understood, will be the present British Minister to Ethiopia, Mr. Daniel Lascelles, and the present Ethiopian Minister to Britain, Ato Abbebe Retta.

Three Killed In Race-Car Accident

ST. HELIER, JERSEY, April 28 (PTI-Reuter): A racing car, travelling at 100 miles an hour, skidded and crashed through safety barrier during last night's speed trial for today's international road race in Jersey killing three persons. They were the drivers, a medical officer of the course and a spectator.

Four race marshals were also injured.

Div. II Indian Football League

BOMBAY, Thursday.

In the Indian League II Division two matches were played on the St. Xavier's College Ground this evening. The following are the results:—

Reserve Bank 1 (Shankaran Kutty) A. S. I. XI 1. (Alfred). Rainbow 1 (Michael) Elphinstone Mills 1. (Lawrence).

BRIG. HABIB AHMED'S TRIAL FOR MURDER OF ROWAN

Brig. Bhatia Opens Case Before Court Martial

HYDERABAD, April 28 (API)—Brigadier S. N. Bhatia today opened the case for the prosecution before the court martial trying Brigadier Syed Habib Ahmed for abetment of the murder of Mr. F. H. Rowan, ground engineer in Sydney Cotton's Organisation.

He referred to an entry dated September 14, 1948 in Mr. Rowan's dairy. The entry he said showed that Brigadier Syed Ahmed visited the mess at 6-45 p.m. on that day and spoke to the guard havildar after which the guard was doubled.

He contended that Rowan was brought to Hyderabad under false pretences and was wrongfully confined which by itself was a crime punishable with imprisonment besides fine.

When the accused found that the Indian Union troops had advanced in Hyderabad territory he was certainly afraid that Mr. Rowan might escape and contact the Indian forces if the guards ran away abandoning their prisoner. Obviously the desire of the accused was to put an end to Mr. Rowan's life to avert the inevitable proceedings against himself if Rowan charged him and General El Edroos (former Commander of the Hyderabad Army) of wrongful confinement he said.

DEFENCE CONTENTION

Dealing with the defence contention that the accused was prejudiced by his being charged without the actual perpetrators of the murder being brought to trial. Brigadier Bhatia said that the accused was the principal offender, for his was the mind which intended murder. He also argued that the suggestion of conspiracy between Havildar Ghulam Mohiuddin, and Jamedar Mirza Abdul Khader to murder Rowan with the intention of robbery was not borne out by the evidence on record.

The court adjourned till tomorrow.

KARNATAK GIVES RS. 325,000

HUBLI, April 23 (A.P.I.): Dr. Rajendra Prasad has completed a 300-mile tour of Karnatak and collected Rs. 3,25,000 for the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Fund. Belgaum district alone contributed Rs. 50,000.

An item of contribution which Dr. Rajendra Prasad likes best was a bundle of handspun yarn presented to him by the women in a village in Belgaum district. "I am really glad to see that a number of Charkhas are running in this village", he said.

TRIBUTE TO SEVA DAL

Dr. Rajendra Prasad inaugurated the Seva Dal Workers' rally at Bagalkot. He paid a tribute to Dr. N. S. Hardikar the founder of the Dal, and recalled how Dr. Hardikar with a band of volunteers responded to the call of Bihar immediately after the Bihar Earthquake in 1934. He stressed the importance of constructive work to help rebuild the country.

On his way from Bagalkot to Gadag some youths demonstrated at a railway station with placards bearing the slogan "Don't postpone the isue of a separate province for Karnataka."

SEGREGATION OF PETROL PUMPS

Scheme Discontinued With Improved Supply Position

In view of the improved petrol situation, which in itself has helped to eradicate black-market in that commodity, the Government of Bombay has decided to discontinue from May 1, 1949, the scheme of segregation of petrol pumps, which it had introduced in Greater Bombay in September last. If, however, the petrol situation worsens in future, the scheme would be re-introduced.

From May 1, there will neither be classification of petrol pumps into "private" and "commercial" nor any distinction in the colour of petrol to be supplied to motor vehicles. Petrol will have its original orange colour made by the petrol companies.

There will also be no restrictions on the presentation of particular type of coupons and special receipts for supply of petrol to private and transport vehicles from that date.

In short, the position of petrol issue in Greater Bombay will revert to that obtaining prior to September 1, 1948.

EXEMPTION FROM INCOME-TAX

Donations To Approved Funds And Institutions

The following institutions and funds in Bombay Province have been approved by the Government of India for the purpose of exemption of the donations made to them from income-tax under sub-section (1) of section 15-B of the Indian Income-Tax Act, 1922:

Funds: The Gandhi National Memorial Fund.

Universities: Bombay University; Gujarat University Trust! Karnatak University; Poona University and Women's University.

Colleges: American Marathi Mission's College, Ahmednagar; Basaweshwar College, Bagalkot; Bhartya Vidyabhavan's Arts and Science College, Andheri; Brihan Maharashtra College of Commerce, Poona; Charotar Vidya Mandal's College, Anand; Chhatrapati Shivaji College, Satara; College of Agriculture, Anand; College of Engineering, Kupwad; College of Pharmacy, Ahmedabad; Ferguson College, Poona; H. L. College of Commerce, Ahmedabad; H.P.T. College, Nasik; Jagadguru College of Commerce, Hubli; Jethabhai and Jhaverbhai Science College, Nadiad; K. E. Boards Arts College, Dharwar; Khalsa College, Matunga, Bombay; Law College, Poona; D.A.V. College, Sholapur; Lingaraj College, Belgaum Maharashtra Education Society's College, Poona; Maharashtra Girl's Education Society's College for Girls, Poona; Mooiji Jaitha College, Jalgaon, East Khandesh; M.T.B. College, Surat; Narayanrao Topiwalla College, Bassein; Nowrosji Wadia College, Poona; Pratap College, Amalner, East Khandesh; R. A. Poddar College of Commerce, Matunga, Bombay; Raja Lakhamagauda Law College, Belgaum; Sarvajanik Law College, Surat; R. P. Gogate College, Ratnagiri; Ramnarian Ruia College, Matunga, Bombay; Sheth G.S. Medical College, Parel, Bombay; Sheth L. L. Arts College, Ahmedabad; Sidharth College, Bombay; Sir Kikabhai Premchand College of Commerce, Surat; Sir Lallubhai Shah Law College, Ahmedabad; Sir Parashurambhau College, Poona; Sophia College for Women, Bombay; St. Xavier's College, Bombay; Tilak College, Bombay; Topiwala National Medical College, Bombay; Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, Bombay; Vijay College, Bijapore; Willingdon College, Sangli; Wilson College, Bombay; Gujarat Vernacular Society, Ahmedabad; and Kaivalyadhama Shreeman Madhva-Joga Mandira Samiti, Lonavala.

HOSPITALS: Acworth Leper Home, Matunga, Bombay; Bai Jerbai Wadia Hospital for Children, Bombay; City Fever (Infectious Diseases) Hospital, Bombay; Grant Medical College, Bombay; Haffkine Institute, Parel, Bombay; J.J. Group of Hospitals, Bombay; King Edward VII Memorial Hospital, Bombay; Miraj Medical Centre, Miraj; Nawroji Wadia Maternity Hospital, Bombay; Provincial Council of Blindness c/o Sir C. J. Opthalmic Hospital, Bombay; R.P.T.B. Hospital, Bombay; Sassoon Hospitals, Poona; Sir Wanless T.B. Sanatorium, Wanless Wadi; St. Luke's Hospital, Vengurla; Tata Memorial Hospital, Bombay; and Dr. Balabhai Nanavati Hospital, Bombay.

OTHER INSTITUTIONS: Ahmedabad Education Society, Ahmedabad; Tilak Maharashtra Vidya Pith, Poona; Shri Bhauriben Lallubhai Medical Trust, Ahmedabad; Gujarat Famine Relief Committee, Ahmedabad; Vikas Griha, Ahmedabad; Karmakshetra Educational Foundation, Ahmedabad; People's Educational Society, Maharashtra High School, Bombay; Bombay Presidency Women's Council, Bombay; and Kanara College Society, Kumta.

S. AFRICA WON'T QUIT COMMONWEALTH

Malan Wants Peace Through Co-operation With Sister Nations

LONDON, April 28 (PTI-Reuter): South Africa had no intention of leaving the Commonwealth, South Africa's Prime Minister, Dr. Daniel Malan declared in a recorded broadcast from London today.

He has been attending the conference of Commonwealth Prime Ministers in London and left today for a tour of Europe.

In the broadcast he said South Africa did not subscribe to a policy of isolation and believed the United Nations was the only international organisation designed to maintain peace.

Dr. Malan—who left London for Holland today—said that within the framework of friendly nations with whom South Africa desired to cooperate there was an inner circle with which South Africa had special ties—the members of the Commonwealth.

"These sister nations are sovereign independent states, freely associated with one another, and, so long as there is no infringement of her rights—even her right to become a republic—South Africa has no intention of leaving the Commonwealth.

"On that basis we desire to maintain our relations and association with our sister nations in the Commonwealth.

Dr. Malan said the nations of the world had failed till now to acquire those sure foundations for lasting world peace which all had so earnestly desired. The future was uncertain and by no means as bright as they had hoped it would be.

"The union of South Africa desires nothing more than the establishment of those sure foundations for lasting peace.

"It follows therefore that South Africa does not subscribe to a policy of isolation. We realise that the united nations organisation, whose task it is to lay the foundations for peace, has many weaknesses and is constantly being wrongly used for propaganda purposes.

"Nevertheless U.N.O. is the only international organisation designed to maintain peace, and the Union of South Africa believes that if the United Nations organisation can be reformed, it could be a useful instrument for maintaining peace and cooperation in the world."

Once again he desired to stress the great importance of the continent of Africa.

"The time has arrived for the serious consideration of an African character. And it follows automatically that this is a matter in which the Union of South Africa has a vital interest".

British Papers Express Warm Satisfaction

BUT TORY PRESS ADOPTS FRIGID AND QUESTIONING ATTITUDE

LONDON April 28. (PTI-Reuter)—India's retention of full membership of the Commonwealth even after she becomes a Republic was overwhelmingly approved by British public opinion, as reflected in today's British morning papers.

The news of yesterday's declaration by the Commonwealth Prime Ministers—which also revealed that India will continue to accept the King as the symbol of the free association of Commonwealth nations and as the head of the Commonwealth—was splashed on the front pages and evoked lengthy comment.

Although most papers expressed warm satisfaction at this outcome of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers deliberations, there were a few like the imperialist "Daily Express" and the Conservative "Daily Mail" which adopted a rather frigid and questioning attitude.

The political correspondent of the Conservative "Daily Telegraph" in discussing the attitude of South Africa and Pakistan to the declaration, said, "they will remain constitutional monarchies".

REPRESENTATIVE MONARCHY

The London "Times" described the result of the Prime Ministers' Conference as being "without parallel or precedent" and stressed that the constitutional monarchy had now become a "representative monarchy".

This influential paper also submitted that a new and broader shape had been given to the constitution of the Commonwealth and that it had yet to be seen whether at some time the neighbours of India would wish to follow India's example in the new dispensation.

TRIBUTE TO NEHRU

The Liberal "Manchester Guardian" declared that Britain turned to Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, the Prime Minister of India, as one of the "destined leaders" for the Commonwealth's future.

Much of the initiative in finding the formula for India's continuing membership of the Commonwealth, the "Manchester Guardian" suggested, seemed to have come from India itself".

According to the Labour "Daily Herald" the two men who will stand as the founders of this new agreement were Mr. Nehru and Mr. Clement Attlee. Mr. Nehru, the paper said, was a "very great man" who after having "won" freedom for India, aimed at throwing his country's influence on the side of peace, freedom and progress.

COMMON SOVEREIGNTY "DESTROYED"

The "Daily Express", however, alleged that the conception of common sovereignty was "destroyed" so far as India's relations with the Commonwealth family were concerned and that the Conference had produced a "paradox" and not a solution at the "request" of Mr. Nehru.

In a similar note, the "Daily Mail" submitted that the true answer to the formula was "unknown" because India was "not bound" by those ties which "rallied" the British peoples in times of crisis.

The Liberal "New Chronicle" dealt with the issue of what India's attitude would be in the event of any such crisis by saying that had India been an independent nation in free association with the Commonyealt in 1939, "there is little doubt that Mr. Nehru would have rallied to the Allied cause".

It could have been assumed, the paper declared that in any imminent struggle between freedom and tyranny, India would be on the side of freedom.

PREPARATIONS FOR PACIFIC PACT?

The Communist "Daily Worker" did not comment editorially on these new Commonwealth developments but alleged in its report that at the Conference "intensive private talks were occupied with preparations for a Pacific Pact against the Soviet Union".

Irish press comment gave a favourable reception to the new developments. The "Irish Independent" said "The British genius for compromise has once more re-asserted itself.

"Once more peaceful revolution has been achieved by a handful of men of goodwill".

The newspaper "Irish Press" said India was at the beginning of a new and inspiring phase in her history and that "for better or for worse—almost certainly for better—India's destiny now lies in India's hands".

French Papers' Comment

PARIS, April 28 (PTI-Reuter)—The spirit of British compromise has triumphed over the delicate problem of how to keep a substantial and legal tie between a Republic and a constitutional monarchy, moderate French newspaper "Le Parisien" said today.

The paper said: "This success permits the young Irish Republic to enter the Commonwealth, if she has a mind to do so, without going against the Codmmonwealth constitution," and added: "The unity of the Commonwealth has been preserved in a period of international tension"

Communist Party paper 'L'Humanite' said: "It is only the prelude to a still more complete seizure of India by the Anglo-American imperialists who will use their power to serve their aggressive aims against the will and interests of the Indian people".

Other French papers carried the news without comment.

"A NEW AND TRUER COMMONWEALTH"

NEW DELHI, April 28 (A.P.I.): "In a quiet business-like way the Commonwealth Prime Ministers have made history, not only for their group of nations but for the whole world", said the "Hindustan Times", commenting on the Commonwealth agreement.

"They have", added the paper "founded a new Commonwealth—a truer Commonwealth in which there is to be a partnership of those who are pledged to constitutional monarchy and a republican form of Government.

The "Amrit Bazar Patrika" said: "The Conference has reached a momentous decision, which will revolutionise the traditional British concept of Commonwealth and set a much needed example of free cooperation in a world, torn by jealousy and strife. What India gets is association without commitment—a partnership which does in no way mortgage her future."

INDIA "ENTRAPPED"

"The Nation", the Chairman of whose editorial board is Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose, published the declaration under a three column headline "India Entrapped in Commonwealth" and wrote editorially:

"The King as a symbol must disappear, or the free association must be regarded as a hoax. What is significant in the midnight London drama is not the King, or the something that he represents, but the hidden symbolical meaning of silent destiny leading sightless and soulless men."

The "Statesman" published the declaration under a four-column headline reading: "Republican India will remain in Commonwealth". The "Hindusthan Standard's" seven-column banner headline said: "India continues in Commonwealth".

The "Indian Express" comments: "There has been just and prompt recognition of India's own traditions and ambitions."

The decision of the Commonwealth Conference, according to the paper, is "a big step towards the informal alliance for trade and defence that India may desire but it is also a preliminary for the coming of the new constitution."

Best Solution, Says Patil

BOMBAY, April 28 (A.P.I.): Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor of Bombay and member of the Congress Working Committee, commenting on the decision of the London Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference to accept a future Republic of India as a full-fledged member of the Commonwealth, today said:

"It is the best solution that could have been found under the circumstances. It is in the nature of a personal triumph for our Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru and a symbol of success to our future republic."

Sir Cowasjee Jehangir, former President of the National Liberal Federation of India, said that India remaining within the Commonwealth had several advantages. He added: "Guaranteed assistance in her defence is, I consider, the greatest gain."

Prohibit Smoking In Trains

PATIALA, April 27 (API): The Religious Committee of the Panthic Darbar at a recent meeting passed a resolution requesting the Government of India to provide separate smoking carriages for smokers in the Railway trains and to prohibit smoking in all other carriages" as is the practice in many western countries."

The Committee also requested the Prime Minister of the Patiala and East Punjab States Union to issue orders prohibiting smoking and alcholic drinking at public functions and in public places.

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The Bombay Chronicle

Is it in destroying and pulling down that skill is displayed? The shallowest understanding the rudest hand, is more than equal to that task.

—BURKE.

HEAD OF THE COMMONWEALTH

The official declaration released from Downing Street has one curious phrase—"India's acceptance of the King as the symbol of the free association of the Commonwealth's independent member-nations and as such as the head of the Commonwealth." "Head of the Commonwealth" is a new expression in British constitutionalism. The British King has been also King of Canada, of Australia, of New Zealand, of South Africa, of Eire and of the three Asian Dominions as well. He has been some eight or nine kings as it were. But he has not been the King of the Commonwealth. How can India accept George VI of Britain as head of the Commonwealth without creating a new constitutional entity? And an entity at that which does not exist for the other Dominions or whatever they might be called now? It is a curious feature of the formula that, by not accepting the British King as the head of the Indian State, India has had to accept him as head of the Commonwealth, which none of the other Dominions have had to do.

At the same time, the accompanying report from London suggests that the Dominions feel the Commonwealth must not be regarded as a super-state with the King as its head. Then what does India's acceptance of the King as the head of the Commonwealth involve? This is a question which is left unanswered between the declaration and the accompanying interpretation. It is stretching matters too far to say that "because the King is the symbol of association he is the head of the Commonwealth" when this very interpretation is categorically repudiated by the Dominions. This is a very confused position arising doubtless out of the necessity to walk warily on this ground. It is not a very easy task to insist on India's dual attitude of being a republic and staying in the Commonwealth in the presence of seven others whose worst suspicions are aroused. Obviously the formula was accepted by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru as the best end to an argument which was growing endless and long ceased to have any meaning at all. Obviously too, the British side was equally eager to strike a bargain which saved everybody's face and lost no British ground.

In the ultimate analysis, the test of any aarangement is its workability. There is nothing sacrosanct about this or any other formula. It has served its purpose of keeping India in the Commonwealth which both Britain and India wanted, and this is a great achievement. Now with the controversy out of the way, the attention of the Commonwealth leaders can be devoted to evolving common policies and common interests. There is one point, however, which needs pointing out: As General Smuts interpreted Dominion Status under the Westminster Statute, the right to secede could not be exercised by a Dominion alone. An Imperial as well as a Dominion measure would have been necessary and the King's assent would be needed for the Dominion measure As India now stands under the formula, the King's assent will naturally not be needed whilst instead of an imperial measure a Commonwealth measure would be required. That is, not the British Parliament but some such thing as all the Dominion Parliaments would have to signify their assent. In that sense, the ties of Commonwealth have been made more intricate. Instead of running from London to the various Dominion capitals, they link up each Dominion with every other Dominion. It will be more difficult to disentangle these bonds than it has been to undo the earlier one.

Compulsory Social Service

In pursuance of a resolution passed by the Legislative Assembly in October last, the Bombay Government has appointed a committee to investigate into the question of compulsory social service by students of secondary schools and colleges during the course of their education or within two years of its completion "as an essential part of their education." The Committee's specific terms of reference refer to the various details about organising such service but we presume the Committee is expected to consider the basic question whether the element of compulsion is necessary or practicable. For ourselves, we would suggest at the very outset that, except in the case of medical service by students who have gone through their full academic course, compulsion is neither necessary nor practicable and that much of the intended service can be better organised on a voluntary basis.

The social service by non-medical students in schools and colleges "as an essential part of their education" can only be of a somewhat literary character. The service that is actually in the minds of those who have commended compulsion is teaching in the primary schools or adult classes. Efficient teaching in the primary schools is a difficult job and is possible only by persons who are trained for it or by those who wish to stick to the teaching profession. It will therefore be a good plan to insist that a trained teacher to

CALCUTTA, April 28 (A.P.I.): Punjab have served in a school for a specified period in addition to the training he gets in a training institution. It may also be made a rule by Government that in making appointments in the educational or other departments preference will be given to those who have done some teaching or other specified work as a social service. This will attract a large number of suitable persons to the primary schools.

As regards adult education, some parts of it will require fairly experienced men like the regular teachers in primary schools. But a good deal can be done by students in secondary schools and colleges in the simpler task of imparting literacy, if only a few instructions are given them at the outset by experienced teachers. The student's work, however, should not be compulsory. Compulsion will take away much of its zest and may lead to scamping. Compulsion will also be hard on students who may be in search of service urgently needed by them. Nor can their service be reasonably regarded as an essential part of their education. On the other hand a fairly large number of college students can be attracted to the work on a voluntary basis if they are given some concessions about attending non-practical classes. Senior school students too can be attracted to the work if it is duly considered in the annual promotions to the higher classes. In short so far as adult literacy is concerned, voluntry work for fair consideration will be found far more convenient than compulsion. In any case, it should be given a good trial before compulsion is to be resorted to.

The question of medical service demands special consideration. The need for this service is vast and urgent, and it can be rendered only by duly qualified men. At the present rate of turning out such men from medical colleges or schools it will be a long time before a sufficient number of doctors can be persuaded to practise in rural areas. That is why the Bombay University has appointed a special committee to report on the question of the desirability of requiring medical students to work over to

Sports had the distinction of examination and prior to receiving a degree. The Bombay Government's Committee will also consider this question and work in co-operation with the University Committee. Medical service by qualified men in rural areas gives them useful experience and is also a great help to those areas. Such service may therefore be made, for some years to come, a condition precedent to the granting of the degree or diploma provided the period of compulsory service is not more than a year and is farily remunerated by Government. But the problem of medical service in rural areas cannot be permanently solved unless and until more medical colleges, schools and hospitals are started.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT.

SHANGHAI, April 27.

The Chinese people were called upon to fight on against "Communist tyranny" and that "final victory will be ours within three years" by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, retired Chinese President, in a broadcast from his home province of Chekiang today.

"As long as there are people in this world who treasure freedom and cherish justice the Chinese people will not be alone in their struggle against Communist totalitarianism and tyranny", he declared.

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Apropos of the London conference decision, India's position which has been accepted, was that she desired to become a sovereign Republic in order to satisfy the political aspirations of her people, but she had no wish to leave the Commonwealth.

Didn't Pakistan firmly oppose? But we hope Mr. Liaqat Ali's failure will presently be made good by Mr. Churchill in the British Parliament.

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By the way, the Junior Jolleague having given the London communique and all comments careful or rather prolonged study and deep thought, has summarised the emerging position thus: India is inside out of the Commonwealth.

Personally, we have had a bad headache for the last three days and the Colleague who supplies us Aspro has been ontside the office though more or less in too.

WASHINGTON, (PTI-Reuter): No surprise has been occasioned in official circles here by the announcement that means have been found to enable India to continue her membership of the British Empire.

Membership of WHAT? Or is PTI-Reuter catching up the all knowingness of God's own country?

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The oration of a "third bloc of those countries, which believed in world peace and rejected colonialism, racialism and discrimination on social or economic grounds" was strongy advocated by Mrs. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya.

—Local Report.

All right, Madam. We beg to agree.

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Kamaladevi, we learn further, has "absolutely no doubt that we will be able to carry with us a vast section of Asia", "if India builds up a genuine and real social democracy for her 350 million people."

Under, of course, the supreme and sovereign aegis of the All-India—we mean to say, we-we-entirely agree.

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According to a London message dated Wednesday, the first private meeting between the Indian and South African Prime Ministers took place today when Pandit Nehru invited Dr. Daniel Malan to lunch.

There is no Apartheidal outrage in lunching with a coloured man at the latter's expense. It's not endangering but feeding Western Christian civilisation.

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Ex-Emperor Bao Dai, says a Singapore report, arrived there by air "on his way to Saigon to head the new Vietnam Republic in French Indo-China.

And to provoke more trouble.

London Letter

EIRE OUT TO END PARTITION

"Problem Cannot Be Solved By Ignoring It"

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, (By Air Mail).

London will hear a good deal of the Irish partition when Mr. De Valera arrives in the city on May The Irishmen have made grand preparations for the reception of their leader. There will be a dinner at Savoy to which foreign diplomats have been invited. Mr. Menon, High Commissioner for India, will not be able to be present, but has asked the organisers to convey his regret to and his good wishes to Mr. De Valera whom he has frequently met.

An Irish journalist tells me that India's High Commissioner has wonderful understanding of Irish affairs. The host at the dinner will be Frank Ryan, an Irish tenor, who was an O. C. in the Irish Republican Army during the days of trouble and captured a British aeroplane and its crew when the plane had to make forced landing in his area. The aeroplane was destroyed and the crew taken prisoner. The remmants of the plane can be seen in an Irish museum. There is no more ruthless critic of the present Irish Government than Mr. De Valera. Yet, he never says a word against the Government of this country when on foreign soil. This practice is also followed by Mr. Churchill. It is indeed a healthy custom which might be cultivated by some of our Indian visitors. Criticism of one's own country in a foreign land can serve no useful purpose; it may easily do harm.

SUPPORT TO REPUBLIC

The fact that Mr. De Valera did not participate in the celebrations associated with the Republic Day does not mean that he does not approve of the Government action in declaring a Republic. In fact, since the rising of 1916 it has been his aim to establish a Republic not only for what is known as Eire but for the whole of Ireland. In fact he had actually set up a Republic in all but name. If he used the word 'State' instead of 'Republic' in the constitution that was largely because if he had then given the description of Republic to the State, he might have aroused the opposition of those who were then not behind the Republic. In any case the action which De Valera wanted to take has now been taken by those who were then not ready for Republic. This means all sections of the people are today behind the Republic and this augurs well for its success.

ISSUE OF PARTITION

On the issue of partition there is also complete unanimity though there are differences as to how it should be terminated. On the very first day Eire became a Republic the Government opened an all-out campaign against the partition. Both the Prime Minister and Foreign Minister declared that they would not join the Atlantic Pact until the "British occupation" of the six Northern countries was ended" Mr. Sean Mac Bride, who was then in America said that although Eire was in full agreement with the Pact no Government could hope to obtain a mandate to join it from the Irish people while six of the Irish countries (Northern Ireland) were occupied by the British forces. De Valera in London will develop this theme with his characteristic fluency. His speeches may not succeed in influencing Whitehall, but there is little doubt that the Irishmen would be aroused. De Valera feels that the main political task before the Irish nation today is to get the rest of the country united. He has no doubt that the Irish nation will be united as a single State and as a republic. But to carry on the struggle for the end he feels, there must be the same devotion shown in the future as has been in the past. "We want the devotion that was shown by the men of Kildare in 1916 he said last night. The Kildare men are the men who marched on Dublin and took part in the 1916 rising.

FEDERAL IRELAND

Mr. Sean Mac Bride suggested Federal solution for the Irish partition, under which the powers which the British Government today exercise in relation to Northern Ireland would be transferred to All-Ireland Parliament. Irishmen's ideal on the unification of the country would definitely not be satisfied by the mere trasfer of representation by North Ireland from Whitehall to Dublin if the present Government is left in control in North Ireland. Ireland is too small, many argue, to have the luxury of two Governments, one of which "would continue to govern a section of our people by the ruthless use of gerrymandering and of the Special Powers Act." The Irishmen are opposed to piecemeal solution of the problem though in the existing circumstances it is not unlikely that Federal solution might be accepted. Many Irismen do not like that the question of partition should be linked with the Atlantic Pact. It is the right of the people of Ireland to decide whether they should or should not sign the Atlantic Pact involving the liability of war. This right, they argue, cannot be bartered for the settlement of the partition. It is difficult to say what shape things would assume in the Republic of Ireland. But it is quite easy to see that unless the partition is done with there would be little peace either for Eire or Northern Ireland or the United Kingdom which is accused of maintaining a garrison on the Irish soil. The presence of De Valera in London should give the press and public in this country an idea of the intensity of the Irish feeling on this question. The Irish partition question will not be solved by ignoring it.

STORMONT

Sir Lionel Earle was Secretary of H. M. Office of Works when the buildings housing Stormont, the Parliament of Northern Ireland, was erected. The foundation stone was laid in May, 1938 and the building was completed in 1939. Sir Lionel, in his book "Turn Over the Page" says "I remember one day saying to Lord Craigavon that although I recognise that it was unthinkable at this time, as sure as the sun rose in the morning the artificial customs barrier between North and South would one day in the future disappear. What then would become of this magnificent parliament building? He replied, 'It would be admirable for lunatics'. A poor consolation to us taxpayers."

DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH BRITAIN

No objection has so far been raised by Eire to British decision that the affairs of the Republic will be dealt with in London as before by the Eire Department of the Commonwealth Relations Office. Of course Eire might claim that in her case the protocol applicable in the cases of foreign Government should be applied, but the satisfaction of that claim will, in practise, mean little. Besides, even though Eire is out of the Commonwealth, she is not treated as a foreign country or her nationals considered aliens. There may however be a little change in the office of the Commonwealth Relations.

'Red' Detenus Not On Hunger-Strike In C. P. Jails

NAGPUR, April 28 (API): Reports appearing in a section of the press regarding hunger strike of the Communist prisoners detained in the jails in this province are misleading and incorrect, says a Press Note issued by the Director of Publicity, Government of the Central Provinces.

In order to allay public feeling, the note adds, Government wish to make it clear that only a few prisoners confined in two jails in the Province are at present on hunger-strike and their number does not exceed ten. They are being given all the facilities permissible under the rules. A few days ago some demands had been made on their behalf by their women relatives. These have been carefully examined and appropriate orders are under issue.

FAIR DEAL TO HINDUSTAN AIRCRAFT WORKERS

Dr. Mookherjee's Appeal

BANGALORE, April 28.

Addressing a gathering of more than six thousand workers of the Hindustan Aircraft Factory at Bangalore yesterday, the Hon. Dr. Shyama Prasad Mockerji, Minister for Industry and Supply, Covernment of India, announced that the Board of Directors of Hindustan Aircraft Limited had decided to grant all the demands of the workers' organisation regarding dearness allowance, leave and holiday rules, etc.

The Minister pointed out that, during the last 18 months, the Board had constantly been improving the prospects of the factory workers. "More than a year ago", he continued, "the Board announced a bonus scheme which costs the company nearly five lakhs of rupees. About a year ago, Board of Directors had sanctioned a sum of three lakhs of rupees for the purpose of improving the terms and conditions of your service. Now today that sum of Rs. 3,00,000 has increased to nearly Rs. 7,30,000 for payment of dearness allowance alone. In addition to this, on the recommendations of the Pay Committee, as also on an independent examination of the problem we have improved leave and holiday rules so that a large number of people who are working here can be satisfied that they will not be harshly dealt with in case of emergency. We have decided to treat the workers who have one year of service, subject to their work being deemed to be satisfactory, as monthly-rated workers and not daily-rated workers as before.

"It is now your turn to respond to the gesture", said the Hon. Minister, and he appealed to the workers to evolve a team spirit and an organised discipline among themselves which would enable them to achieve as much efficiency and work as was being achieved by similar workers in other parts of the world.

NEW DELHI, April 28 (UPI): The Government of India's reply to the representations made by the French Government about the imposition and working of the customs barrier round the French settlements in India would be given in a day or two, it is learnt. The nature of French representations could not, however, be ascertained.

"THOU SHALT NOT WED A COLOURED PERSON"

S. African Govt.'s Step To Implement Racial Segregation

CAPETOWN, April 28. (PTI-Reuter)—Appearance will be the guide to the race of a person wishing to be married in South Africa according to a Bill prohibiting marriages between Europeans and non-Europeans read for the first time in the Union Assembly today.

This is the first Legislative step in the South African Government's policy to segregate the races.

The mixed marriages Bill provides that any person who appears obviously to be white or non-white as the case may be, shall be deemed to be such unless they are able to prove to the contrary. Penalties to be imposed by the projected Bill include the liability to a fine of not more than £50 sterling for a marriage officer who knowingly performs a marriage ceremony between a white and a non-white. If a domiciled in the Union of South Africa enters into a marriage outside the Union which could not be solemnised in South Africa, the marriage would be regarded as null and void.

TAXI SERVICE IN MOFUSSIL AREAS

Formation Of Taxi Operating Societies

With a view to providing better taxi service in the mofussil, the Government of Bombay has decided to encourage the formation of taxi operating societies, the membership of which will be restricted to owner as well as non-owner drivers holding an authorisation to drive.

Non-driver financiers will have no place in the scheme whatsoever and no member of a society will be given more than two taxi permits. The ultimate objective, however, is "one taxi with one driver-owner" under the supervision of a society or a union pledged to afford the best possible service to the travelling public and enforce discipline amongst its members by co-operation with the transport authorities. The existing operators holding more than two taxi permits are free to transfer the excess permits to their brothers or sons holding valid authorisation to drive taxis.

NO TAXI PERMITS IN EXCESS

After six months from now, taxi permits in excess of two held by an individual will not be renewed. He will also be required to possess an authorisation to drive taxis. The existing owners not holding such an authorisation will be given a year's time to fall in line with the scheme.

In future, taxi permits will be given preferably to members of unions or associations of the type described above and to societies constituted predominantly by ex-servicemen with permanent Bombay domicile. The constitution and bye-laws of such societies or unions will have to be approved by the Government.

The scheme will first be introduced in Poona, Nasik and Ahmedabad and later extended to Belgaum and Thana.

Those interested in forming such associations or societies for the operation of taxi trade should submit a scheme with a set of draft bye-laws and details of financial resources (in duplicate) to the Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Home Department, for approval. The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority of the Region concerned, if approached, will advice regarding the broad principles to be embodied in the constitution of such societies.

NATIONALISATION OF BRITISH STEEL INDUSTRY

Move To Curtail Debate On Bill Opposed

LONDON, April 28 (PTI-Reuter): Prolonged opposition booing in the House of Commons late last night greeted the Government's use of the "guillotine" to curtail debate on its bill to nationalise Britain's iron and steel industry.

Socialists made a counter-demonstration. The Government decided to use the guillotine procedure to make sure that the bill keeps to parliamentary time-table.

Mr. George Strauss, Minister of Supply, announced that to meet opposition criticism the Government had decided to add a clause to the Bill imposing a duty on the Iron and Steel Corporation, which is to control the industry, to avoid all undue preference between private and state consumers.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Unwise And Impossible

Acting against the advice of the Indore City Congress Committee, the principal markets of that town including the local Bullion Exchange and many shops in the city observed a hartal on Wednesday. This appears to be a coercive attempt to influence the Select Committee which is considering a bill introduced by the Finance Minister of Madhyabharat, for the levy of an income-tax. Similar protests against the imposition of fresh taxes have been made in Saurashtra and more recently in Baroda. One of the chief grounds of a section of the people who have lodged a protest against the merger of Baroda with Bombay is that the level of taxation is likely to be increased in that State. It seems to us that this is inevitable. The princely States have not only been enclaves of feudalism, but the preserves of the rich, who could live in luxury because of a lower level of taxation. It was not unusual for merchant princes to live in State territory and do business in "British" India and thus escape the incidence of the heavier taxes which prevailed in the provinces. Often too companies were incorporated in the States. In recent years as the level of taxation rose there was a flight of capital to the States. This kind of thing cannot any longer be tolerated, nor is it possible. A committee appointed by the government of India on the integration of the finance of the States is yet to report on the sub-

Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister for Health, Government of Bombay to-

He referred to an entry dated Sep- to the U.N. observer's diary.

ed by the Government of India for the purpose of exemption of the donations

(whether merged or integrated) has to be upgraded and the people of those areas are to be given the benefit of services comparable with their brethren in the rest of the country, they will have to pay for it. The process of setting up a uniform system of taxation may be spread out over a number of years to avoid undue hardships and suitable changes made to suit local conditions. But any attempt to use coercive methods in an effort to retain the taxation structure more favourable to vested interests would be extremely unwise. Such attempts are also foredoomed to failure.

Statistical Inquiry

Reliable statistics about employment and income are so scanty in India that we cordially welcome the report that such a statistical inquiry about the people of Bombay Province has been started under Government auspices. The inquiry is to be conducted by the Director of the Bureau of statistics in collaboration with Dr. D. R. Gadgil, Director of the Gokhale School of Economics and Politics, Poona. Conducted under such auspices, the inquiry promises to be of practical interest in devising plans for the economic betterment and resources. Further details of the inquiry will be of much use to the public in co-operating with Government in working it out. As a comprehensive inquiry will necessarily take a long time, we would suggest that a beginning might be made with a selected district in each Division of the Province. It will also be well to associate research students in Economics with the organisers of the inquiry. Finally, periodical conferences may be held at which the tentative results of the inquiry may be collected and discussed, and interested representatives of each district may be acquainted with the methods of the inquiry.

Welcome Development

Interest, even some subdued excitement is not unjustified in connection with the recent report about a Soviet offer to settle the Berlin dispute. It is an entirely unexpected development, and whoever is responsible for taking the initiative, according to Moscow it

reported, is understood to have sought clarification on two issues: an exact understanding as to what would be involed in any agreement to lift the blockade and a proposed time-table. A formal reply in writing is calculated to do away with possibilities of misunderstanding and working at cross-purposes, rocks on which so many previous attempts at rapprochment have foundered. Maybe, exchanges of notes, clarifications and elucidations will involve expenditure of time. But it would be worth while in view of the main purpose, namely, the securing of a solid basis for amicable negotiations. Cautious or suspicious critics see in the timing of the Soviet offer a move to defeat the formation of a Western German State under the aegis of the Western Allies. Even if that is so, an agreement between the Western Allies and the Soviet Union is far more valuable and desirable than a West German State, which moreover, is obviously calculated to make a partition of Germany almost permanent. Even more so, an agreement on Berlin may well prove a prelude to a larger East-West understanding, which the world and humanity so badly need.

State Help To Universities

Prof. M. N. Saha, one of the members of the University's Commission, is reported to have stressed, in a press interview, the need for greater financial assistance to university education by the Central Government. So far State help to education has been con-

largely by Provinces. The news of Yesterday's declaration The paper said: "This success has

More State help to University education was necessary even in the past in view of the responsibility of the universities to provide the leaders of the country in the various spheres of national life. Those responsibilities have considerably increased in independent India. And Prof. Saha has reason to fear that without more State help, particularly from the Central Government, 'universities cannot prepare the personnel for service to the country" We trust the Universities Commission will strongly emphasise the claims of the universities on the State. We urgently need advanced post-graduate instruction in a number of subjects, particularly Science. Such instruction is best given in All-India institutions and these can be financed only by the Central Government.

OPEN AIR

I have for a long time harboured in my garden a shrub which irritated me badly, since it made a tremendous amount of growth, but never produced a flower. Time after time I decided to chop it down and to plant something else in its place, but each

patience has been rewarded, and it is flowering profusely. It is a rather interesting. They are round and green, and about the size of a golf ball with a ridge round the middle, and when they are cut open we find a stone in the centre. As they ripen, they shrivel and become almost black in colour.

It is the Yellow Oleander, a medium-sized shrub with slender, cane-like branches bearing long, narrow, shiny, pointed leaves. At the tip of each branch, now, there are clusters of buds, some of which open each morning into velvety, yellow flowers with five overlapping petals. These flowers, as a rule last only for a day, dropping to the ground the following morning as they are replaced by fresh blossoms. The fruits of the yellow oleander are quite different from those of the pink and white oleanders, and are

YELLOW OLEANDER.

CHURCHILL GREETS INDIA IN COMMONWEALTH

LONDON, April 28 (PTI-Reuter):—Mr. Herbert Morrison, Deputy Prime Minister, today described to Parliament as "historic" the Commonwealth agreement which keeps the future Republican India within the Commonwealth as a full and equal partner.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Leader of the Opposition, said he had no doubt whatever that nearly everyone wanted India to stay in the Commonwealth, a statement which was received with cheers. But Mr. Churchill added, there were many questions unanswered and there were possible consequences, "some of them potentially adverse", which could not yet be measured.

Amid cheers Mr. Churchill declared: "This I say to all my friends: It is the duty of all to try our best to make this new expression of unity of our worldwide association of States and Nations a practical and lasting success".

Mr. Morrison had earlier read the Commonwealth leaders' declaration to the House. He said it was necessary to make the result of the conference known first to the newspapers to facilitate the simultaneous announcement in all the self-governing countries of the Commonwealth. "Nevertheless, I think the House would wish to hear the terms of this statement that a decision which will I am sure be regarded as an historic one in the evolution of the Commonwealth, may take its place in the records of the House with the least possible delay".

He suggested that any full discussion of the declaration, if the House wished it, might more properly be deferred to a later occasion.

"I am having regard to the fact that the leaders of the delegations of the other countries of the Commonwealth are not in a position yet to report personally to their Governments or Parliaments".

Mr. Churchill said:

"The test question which it seems to me we ought to ask ourselves and which I have asked myself is do we wish India to remain of her own free will and desire within the Commonwealth or not? I have no doubt whatever that nearly all of us would answer that question aye", Mr. Churchill said, raising his voice to a shout on the word aye, which was received with cheers.

CHURCHILL BOWS TO MAJORITY

"I do not in any way retreat or regret the views I have expressed over so many years and I am very glad not to be responsible for much that has been done in the past (members on the Government benches roared in a challenging way at this) and in the recent past.

But we are all of us governed by events we cannot control, by the actions of majorities duly elected to the House of Commons".

Mr. Churchill went on: "I am unfeignedly glad that an impassable gulf has not opened between the new India and the British Empire and Commonwealth or between our famous past in India and our anxious present all over the world. I am sure this will be a help for all in the future".

If on the whole we most of us feel able to answer the test question in the affirmative and wish to have India associated with us in the future, it is fortunate that the institution of the monarchy never more deeply enshrined in the hearts of its proud and willing subjects and citizens all over the world than at present should not have been a barrier to the inclusion of India as a Republic in the Commonwealth.

SYMBOL OF CROWN

Mr. Churchill added that some time ago when we had some indication of what was afoot he foresaw some danger that the symbol of the Crown, which had hitherto been a circle of unity might become an exclusive instrument in respect of India in its new guise. I am sure it has been very wise to avoid any chance of that, he said.

"I cannot feel that either the majesty of the Crown or the personal dignity of the King is imperilled by the conditions under which India remains in the Commonwealth.

Mr. Churchill concluded: "I feel that the tides of the world are favourable to our voyage. The pressure of the dangers and duties that are shared in common by all of us in these days may well make new harmonies with India and indeed with large parts of Asia.

"We may also be seeing coming into view an even wider and larger synthesis of estates and nations comprising even the United States of America and a United Europe which may, perhaps, in the not good distant future bring to a harassed and struggling humanity real security for peace and freedom and for hearth and home".

Mr. Clement Davies welcomed the declaration on behalf of the Liberals.

Mr. Morrison expressed the Government's thanks and appreciation for the "generally friendly observations" of Mr. Churchill and Mr. Davies

IN LORDS

Viscount Hall had read the declaration in the House of Lords. Viscount Simon welcomed it on behalf of the Opposition.

The Marquess Reading (Liberal) described the declaration as "most pregnant and far reaching".

Viscount Hall said the Government was considering whether it was necessary to make any statutory changes.

10 Reds Arrested

MADURA, April 28 (UPI): A report from Sivaganga says that the police of Manamadura recently raided Keelapasalai village and arrested 10 persons all alleged to be Communists.

The charge against these persons was that they attempted to hold a meeting in defiance of the local prohibitory order.

MADRAS, April 28 (UPI): It is learnt that the Tamil Nad Congress Socialist Party has decided to contest the forthcoming elections to the District Local Boards in the Province.

NANDA'S NEW SCHEME TO FIGHT SOCIAL EVILS

Institute To Put Down Bribery, Corruption And Blackmarketing

BOMBAY, April 28 (A.P.I.): Bombay's Labour Minister, Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda has sponsored a scheme for th setting up of an Institute which will have to fight against "anti-social activities like bribery, corruption and blackmarketing" as one of its main objectives.

Mr. Nanda in a note appended to the provisional constitution drawn for the Institute says: "No community can hope to build a fabric of peace and progress except on the foundations of healthy social relations. Social health is at a very low ebb in this country. Corruption in various forms has become so pervasive that the people have come to look upon it as part of their normal existence and something from which there is no escape.

"This is a very dangerous attitude" adds Mr. Nanda, "not a few amongst us detest dishonest ways, care for clean living and would be happy to see the social atmosphere rid of its impurities. But they remain passive and do not make themselves felt. It is for them now to gather their scattered strength and take up active roles to impress their outlook on the consciousness of the community."

The work of the Institute according to the constitution will be divided into two divisions: (1) personal health dealing with the physical and mental aspects of the life of the individual and the community. (2) Social health dealing with the moral and spiritual aspects of the relations of individuals to the community.

Explaining the need for looking after physical health of India's vast number of people "who live through lifetime of low and indifferent health" Mr. Nanda says: "For want of positive guidance based on scientific tests, large numbers of people continue to grope in the darkness, flitting from one system of treatment to another, wasting their time and substance in long and tortuous process of trial and error.

Mr. Nanda says the Institute will make arrangements for imparting instruction in the principles of health maintenance and for a wide diffusion of tried knowledge on the subject of health in its various aspects."

As a measure to combat anti-social activities the Institute expects to set up "social health centres" in various parts of the country.

Besides the "social health centres", the constitution envisages a "social health division", membership to which will be open to any person who signs the pledge against bribery blackmarketing, tax evasion, ticketless travel and nepotism.

Rs. 1.5 Crore For Technical Education

CALCUTTA, April 28 (A.P.I.): Mr. Nalini Ranjan Sarkar, Chairman of the all India Council for Technical Education stated today that the Government of India had agreed to finance the upgrading of 13 selected engineering institutions in India. On the council's recommendations the Government had agreed to sanction grants to the extent of Rs. 1.5 crores for capital expenwiture and Rs. 30 lakhs for recurring expenditure for this purpose. The Government of India had accepted the Council's recommendation for establishing four regional higher technical institutions.

The sites for two of these had been selected in West Bengal and Bombay respectively, while the sites for the other two were still under consideration.

Inaugurating the meeting at the Council chamber at Government House the West Bengal Governor Dr. K. N. Katju hoped that the advancement of scientific and technical education would be given top priority by all Governments as well as non-official organisations engaged in the field of education.

UGANDA NATIVES RISE AGAINST BRITISH RULE

NAIROBI, April 27 (PTI-Reuter).—Two African members of a gang which attacked a police patrol in the "disturbed" Kampala area of the Uganda protectorate were shot dead last night. The police were reported to have an effective grip on the situation in Kampala today. They were extending their activities against "hooligans" to country districts, where the grass-roofed houses of several chiefs had been set on fire.

..Trouble began on Sunday with a threatened strike of African labourers as a demonstration against the first meeting of the East African Central Assembly in Kampala. The strike call asked "all the Uganda" to protest to the King of this East African British Protectorate against the continued holding of office by three Ministers and a number of Chiefs.

Uganda Govt. Outlaws Two African Political Bodies

NAIROBI, April 28. (PTI-Reuter)—The Government of Uganda today proscribed two African political bodies in a series of measures to counter unrest in parts of the country. The two bodies are the Bataka Party and the African Farmers' Union. The Bataka were alleged to have Communist contacts overseas.

In addition the Government imposed a temporary press censorship and declared the whole of the Uganda Province a "disturbed area".

A message from the Governor, Sir John Hall, said the two proscribed bodies were responsible for this week's demonstrations and warned that severe punishment would await all responsible.

Driver Killed In Train Collision At Katni

NEW DELHI, April 28. (API)—The engine of a passenger train which left Bina collided yesterday with a shunting engine at the Katni Murwara station on the Bina-Katni branch line of the G.I.P. Railway last evening resulting in the death of the driver of one of the engines, according to a telegram from the Division Superintendent, Jubbulpore, received here today.

The driver of the other engine was injured. No other loss of life or injury was reported among passengers or railway employees. Through traffic on the line was interrupted.

The accident was due to "the wrong setting of points", the telegram added.

Scholarships To African Students

NEW DELHI, April 28 (U.P.I.): An Indian businessman of Nairobi (Kenya), Mr. Meghjibhai Shah, has announced through our Commissioner in East Africa his decision to give scholarships to five African students wishing to study at Indian universities. He is placing Rs. 1,000 every month towards the proposed "scholarship fund" for an indefinite period.

Surat Municipal Workers To Go On Strike

(From A Correspondent)

SURAT, April 28: Three hundred workers of the Surat Municipality, it is learnt will go on strike from 30th inst. Dissatisfaction due to the misbehaviour of Mr. Lekhadia, the Chairman of the Public Works Committee is stated to be the main cause for the decision of the workers.

DISTURBANCES IN CALCUTTA CONTINUE

Tram Cars And Busses Attacked: Fifteen Persons Injured

CALCUTTA, April 28 (A.P.I.): Fifteen persons, including eight police men, were injured in incidents in Calcutta for the second day running today.

The police opened fire thrice today. Stray attempts were made to set tram cars on fire and one tram car was completely gutted. Tram and bus services in the north and central districts of the city were in consequence withdrawn early.

Some police vehicles and state buses were attacked.

Orders under section 144 Cr.P.C prohibiting among other things the assembly of more than five persons which have been in force in Calcutta and which were due to expire tomorrow have been extended until further orders.

Dr. B. C. Roy, Premier of Wst Bengal in a statement this evening said that the objective of the rowdy elements was a well-planned attack on the police, state buses and tram cars. No government could tolerate such open challenge to authority, which was designed to subvert the state cy methods of violence, he said.

He appealed to citizens to support the government in fighting these lawless elements.

The most serious incident of the day was an attack on a police lorry with crdue bombs, including acid bombs resulting in injuries to most of the occupants. This occurred in front of medical college.

The police fired seven rounds. Today's incidents were mainly in the College street and university classes have been suspended tomorrow and Saturday.

The Secretary of the West Bengal Provincial Congress Committee in a statement declared: "The Communists have done, yesterday and today, acts which are never tolerated in any civilised country. They have degraded society, by using women as pawns."

NEW WARRANT OF PRECEDENCE

MADRAS, April 28 (UPI): The Governor-General of India, the Prime Minister of India, Governors of Provinces (within their respective charges) and ambassadors accredited to India top the revised table with respect to rank and precedence in the order mentioned.

The revised warrant of precedence is as follows:—

(1) Governor-General of India.
(2) Prime Minister of India.
(3) Governors of Provinces within their respective charges.
(4) Ambassadors accredited to India. High Commissioners of Commonwealth Governments in India.
(4-A) The Honourable Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel (whilst holding the post of Deputy Prime Minister).
(5) Chief Justice of India.
President of the Consembly, Speaker of Consembly.
(6) Minister of the Dominion of India.
(6-A) Governors of Provinces outside in their respective charges, Premiers of Provinces in their respective provinces. Rajpramukhs of Saurashtra, Matsya, Vindhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Madhya Bharat and Patiala and East Punjab States enjoying a salute of 17 guns and over should be treated for the purpose of precedence of the same footing as Governors of Provinces.

The other princes should be fitted into suitable places in the warrant of precedence in accordance with their importance and status.

FODDER SCARCITY IN CUTCH

Sir Datar Singh To Study Position

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, (By Mail): Sir Datar Singh, Assistant Secretary to the Government of India Department of Agriculture, recently paid a flying visit to Saurashtra 'en route' to Viramgam from Kutch, where he had gone to study the over-all fodder position.

At Rajkot he had informal discussions with the Saurashtra Cabinet on the supreme importance of rushing fodder supplies to the scarcity areas in the Jhalawar District, where the acute deficiency of fodder and drinking water had been reacting disastrously on the already hopelessly inadequate resources in hardy cattle.

Congestion of cargo in the principal Saurashtra ports has assumed alarming proportions owing to the fatal flaws in the wagon distributive system. Discontent has been mounting among the shippers on account of the damage caused to their perishable goods lying in promiscuous heaps in the ports and the unwarranted priority given in respect of wagon supply to certain merchants, who ingratiate themselves into the accommodating station-masters' favour. The shippers hear meretricious talk about special train services to be instituted for transporting heavily accumulated cargo from the Saurashtra ports to various destinations in emulation of the G.I.P. and B.B. and C.I. Railways' example. The irrdescent vision of the port traffic specials does not buoy the Saurashtra shippers up in the Sturm and Drang of existence, because the change from the welter of antiquated survivals, economic exclusiveness, customs barriers, monopolies and all sorts of exclusive privileges running riot in two hundred and odd bigger States and petty principalities of Kathiawar to the self-assured enlightenment of the single democratic State of Saurashtra has hitherto belied their sanguine anticipations all along the line. The unitary control of the State-owned Railways of Kathiawar and the increased number of locomotive engines have not resulted so far in quicker transport of goods, diminished overcrowding and unpunctuality or insubstantially augmented receipts consequent on the elimination of overlapping and waste of resources associated with mutually jealous, rival State-owned Railways of Kathiawar. Enlightened self-interest impelled competing Railway Administrations in Kathiawar to be daily self-surpassed in ensuring quick movements of goods and increasing gross receipts from year to year.

ECHO OF MALWA CABINET CRISIS

Premier's Request To A.I.C.C.

GWALIOR, April 27 (API): Pandit Liladhar Joshi, Premier of Madhyabharat, it is understood, has requested the A.I.C.C. to take disciplinary action against Mr. Gopi Krishna Vijayavargiya, President of Madhayabharat Congress Committee, if he failed to substantiate charges of malpractice and inefficiency made by him against the Madhayabharat Cabinet in Delhi recently.

BOMBAY AND MAHARASHTRA PROVINCE

Representatives Of Local Boards To Discuss Issue

POONA, April 28 (API): Representatives from the District Boards and Municipalities in Maharashtra will meet in a conference next month to consider the report of the Three-Man Committee on linguistic provinces, it is learnt.

The conference will particularly discuss the Committee's recommendation that Bombay City should form a separate political unit, should the Maharashtra Province come into force.

INDIA'S COMPLAINT AGAINST S. AFRICA

Move In U. N. To Postpone Discussion Of Dispute

LAKE SUCCESS, April 28 (PTI-Reuter): Certain delegations to the General Assembly, notably the Australian, which are keen on ending the present Assembly session before May 7 are understood to have made tentative moves to have discussion of the India-South Africa dispute and also the Spanish question postponed until the next session. It is considered doubtful whether these moves will be successful.

Both the Indian and South African delegations are firmly opposed to a postponement of the India complaint.

Those in favour of postponement of the Indian debate on the South African issue feel that in view of the better atmosphere just created in London this "family quarrel" should not be brought to the fore at the present moment.

The resolution on Spain, which is to be sponsored by Brazil, asking that the 1946 embargo on the exchange of diplomatic representatives with Spain be rescinded, is expected to be bitterly opposed by the Soviet group.

It is known that the Australian delegation, among others, feels that such a debate would give rise to the usual recriminations which they feel are best avoided at the present juncture when the delicate east-west talks are about to begin.

India Not To Recognise Privy Council

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expressed satisfaction that the Commonwealth conference in London had ended in agreement on India's continued membership of the Commonwealth.

They considered it would strengthen the cohesion of the Commonwealth.

Smuts' Misgivings About India

CAPTOWN, April 28 (PTI-Reuter)—General Jan Smuts, South Africa's Opposition leader, today expressed his misgivings about the way India claimed full membership of the Commonwealth. He said in an interview, "I cannot forbear expressing my misgivings about the way wherein India's claim to full membership of the Commonwealth despite its being an independent Republic has been dealt with."

"The only satisfactory feature about the declaration", he added, "is that although the link of allegiance to the King is scrapped for India, it is left intact for other members of the Commonwealth."

REVOLUTIONARY CONCEPT

He said the conference had introduced an essentially revolutionary principle whose application in other cases "may yet come to affect proroundly the future of the Commonwealth". The new concept of a functionless and merely symbolic Kingship accommodates India in the Commonwealth.

PATTABHI WANTS CLARIFICATION

"I Am Unable To Follow Statement About King"

MADRAS, April 28. (API)—Almost the first reaction from a leading Indian leader came from the Congress President, Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, who told the "A.P.I." "I frankly admit that I am not able to follow the statement that the King is the symbol of free association of independent member nations and as such the Head of the Commonwealth. We must await its clarification".

Dr. Pattabhi hoped the new relationship was more in the nature of "the membership of a Club from which you can resign at will" than that "of a shareholder of a joint stock company or a member of a co-operative society".

Newspapers all over India carried the news of the London agreement on the new Commonwealth relationship under banner headlines. Most editorial comments enthusiastically supported the decision though a few were highly critical, specially with regard to the King's status.

"Stand Is Inevitable" Says Venkatrama Shastry

BOMBAY, April 28. (API)—Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastry, President, Indian National Liberal Federation welcoming the agreement stated in Madras that some people might not like the form in which the continued association of a Republican India within the Commonwealth had been expressed "as if an eighth member was allowed to remain with a family of seven, who are associated with each other more closely". Mr. Sastry remarked that this form was perhaps inevitable on India's stand.

Mr. Sastry added "in an association of white and brown people, the achievement of equality is yet to be attained and the future will show how the Commonwealth fulfils itself this respect".

"IMPERIALIST TRIUMPH" SAYS ARUNA

Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali, Member of the National Executive of the Socialist Party described the agreement as "yet another imperialist triumph for the so-called Socialist Government of Britain". She added: "Whenever British guns have failed the British genius for evolving formulas has come to the rescue of imperialism".

Remarking that Pandit Nehru "had had to sign on the dotted line", Mrs Asaf Ali referred to Sardar Patel's press conference statement this morning and said "Sardar Patel has suggested with great generosity that Socialists have what is generally called common sense. I hope we shall rise to his expectations. We shall go to the common people with our interpretation of this decision and tell them that unless they assert their right of criticism and ultimately take steps to prevent the Government from following such short sighted policies they cannot expect India to remain out of power conflicts of the West".

Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali wanted severance of the Commonwealth tie.

"INDIA CANNOT REFUSE BRITAIN'S HAND OF FRIENDSHIP"

Mr. Kala Venkata Rao, General Secretary of the Indian National Congress said: "This very loose symbolic union in the Commonwealth is more sought after by Britain than India". He added: "Britain and the Dominions have realised our status and potential strength in Asia and they have sought our friendship. When both parties feel that this common association of absolutely free countries will contribute to world peace, India which seeks world peace, cannot refuse the hand of friendship".

Outstanding Event, Says Sir C. B. Mehta

In Bombay Sir Chunilal B. Mehta, Banker and economist, expressing the business man's point of view, called the agreement "an outstanding and unique event of political significance not only to Commonwealth countries but to the world as a whole".

Paying a tribute to Pandit Nehru, Sir Chunilal said that the agreement had cleared the road for India" to proceed on her onward march towards economic stability and progress".

PURSHOTTAMDAS TANDON

In Lucknow, Mr. Purshottamdas Tandon, the U.P. Congress chief, said "I feel that India's remaining in the Commonwealth will be conducive to the establishment of peace and good relations all over the world".

Begum Aizaz Rasul, a member of the Indian Constituent Assembly said: "India which holds a key position in Asian affairs today, has definitely ranged herself on the side of democratic nations pledged to fight communism".

"A PRUDENT STEP"

Sir B. L. Mitter, former Law Member and Advocate General of the Government of India, stated in Darjeeling: "Taking all circumstances into consideration, the continuance of the Commonwealth connection appears to be a prudent step for India to take"

Pakistan having one status and India another would have led to many difficulties, he said.

CANADIAN COMMONS REJOICE

OTTAWA, April 27. (PTI-Reuter)—The Canadian House of Commons greeted with thunderous applause Prime Minister St. Laurent's announcement that India would remain a full partner in the Commonwealth.

Mr. St. Laurent read the text of the London statement detailing the results of the Commonwealth Conference.

Mr. St. Laurent said: "I am sure all Canadians will rejoice in the new demonstration of the traditional capacity of the Commonwealth to strengthen its unity of purpose while adapting organisation and procedures to changed circumstances.

Everyone will rejoice in the fact that it has been found possible to have India remain as a member of the Commonwealth".

OPPOSITION LEADER WELCOMES ANNOUNCEMENT

Opposition leader Mr. George Drew welcomed the announcement saying "it may well mark the beginning of a new period for the growth and development of the greatest institution of free men the world has known".

Socialist leader Mr. M. J. Coldwell said: "We are associated now with a race differing in creed, colour and all that goes into the long evolution of a race.

"I hope this will enable us in our country and those in countries associated with us to end for ever every vestige of racial and religious discrimination". The entire House applauded these statements.

PANCHAYAT ELECTION RESULTS IN BALLIA

Communist Claim Denied

LUCKNOW, April 28 (API): Six Communists have been elected as "sarpanchas" (headmen of Panchayats in Presidents of Gaon Panchayats in Presidents of Gaon Panchayata in Ballia District a spokesman of the U.P. Government stated here today.

He said that the total number of "sarpanchas" in Ballia district was 142, and that of Presidents of Gaon Panchayats 681.

The spokesman added that the figures received by Government completely disproved the recent claim by the Communist Party headquarters at Bombay that 1,500 Communists had been successful in the Gaon Panchayats in Ballia district, and four 'sarpanchas' had been elected in Sultanpur district.

In Sultanpur district, he said, the Communists had captured one out of 178 seats of "sarpanchas" and two out of 184 seats of Presidents of Gaon Panchayats.

I. L. O. To Consider Report On Hours Of Work In Coal Mines

NEW DELHI, April 28 (API): The plenary session of the I.L.O. coal mines, committee now in session at Pittsburgh will consider the report by the I.L.O. sub-committe on hours of work according to a message received by the International Labour Office here. The report asks the governing body to request the I.L.O. to prepare a revision of the 1935 hours of work (coal mines) convention in line with the technical economic and social conditions in the industry.

Kandahar Protest Against Treatment Of Pathans

NEW DELHI, April 28 (UPI): Information reaching New Delhi from Kandahar (Afghanistan) reveals that the inhabitants of the Mussakalan Government and Khuran sub-division, when came to know about the unfair measures adopted by the Karachi Government against their frontier brethren, assembled in the capital of Mussakalan Government on the 4th (of Saur) and demonstrated. They declared their readiness to sacrifice their lives and property and requested for permission to render every possible help to their frontier brethren.

They submitted a petition to this effect to the local administration, addressed to the King. The Administrator while appreciating their sacred sentiments promised to forward their petition to the King at an early date.

Grass For Saurashtra

GWALIOR, April 27 (API): About 50,00,000 pounds of grass will be exported to Saurashtra from Madhyabharat shortly, to meet the acute shortage of grass there, it is learnt.

The Madhyabharat Government has already exported about 80,00,000 pounds of grass to Saurashtra.

Wedding Of Egyptian Princess Fatima

LISBON, April 28. (UPA)—Brazilian Prince Joao Orleans Braganca will be maried to Egyptian Princess Fatima tomorrow at the home of the Count of Paris at Sintra near here.

People IN THE NEWS

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, April 28.

The Governor of Bombay received Shri K. A. Viswanath Aiyer and Shri K. V. Narayan Sway.

The Governor attended a Special Service at St. Peter's Armenian Church where he was received by Mr. C. A. Martin and other members of the Committee.

Her Highness the Maharani Sahiba of Bhavnagar, H. H. the Rani Sahiba of Wadhwan and Captain K. Mani A.D.C. came to lunch.

Rani Maharaj Singh witnessed the play "Deewar" given by Prithviraj at the Excelsior Theatre in aid of the Rehabilitation of disabled and crippled children, the National Council of Women and Nritya Kalalaya.

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LT.-GEN SHRINAGESH

AMBALA, April 28. (API)—Lieut-General S. M. Shrinagesh, G.O.C.-in-Chief, Western Command, arrived here this morning by air. During his two-day stay here General Shrinagesh will inspect the famous fourth infantry division.

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MR. H. S. REDDI

MADRAS, April 28. (UPI)—The Madras Labour Minister, Mr. H. Sitarama Reddi, will lead the Indian delegation to the next session of the Conference of International Labour Organisation, to be held at Brazil sometime in May.

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MR. JAGJIVAN RAM

Mr. Jagjivan Ram, Labour Minister, Government of India, who was to have led the delegation, as arranged earlier, will not be able to do so due to health reasons.—UPI.

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PRO-VICE-CHANCELLOR OF BARODA UNIVERSITY

GWALIOR, April 28. (UPI)—Prof. A. R. Wadia, Principal of the local Victoria College, has been appointed Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the proposed Maharaja Sayajirao University at Baroda, it is learnt here.

He will relinquish his present appointment and shortly leave for Baroda to take over the charge of his new office.

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SHRI N. V. GADGIL

Shri N. V. Gadgil, Minister for Power and Mines for the Government of India arrived here today from Sholapur. A rousing reception was given to him by the public. A civic address was presented to him by the Pandharpur Municipality.

In the evening Mr. Gadgil left for Poona.

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MR. B. G. KHER

Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay, will leave Bombay for Baroda, on Saturday, April 30. After the Integration Ceremony at Baroda, both the Premier and Home Minister, Mr. Morarji Desai, will proceed on a tour of Bansda and Dangs.

They will return to Bombay, on Wednesday, May 4.

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ADMIRAL JOHN PRICE

WASHINGTON, April 28. (PTI-Reuter)—Vice Admiral John D. Price has been nominated by President Truman to be Vice Chief of naval operations, the United States navy's number two post.

Vice Admiral Price will relieve Vice-Admiral Arthur W. Radford, who becomes Commander-in-Chief of the Pacific Fleet on May 1.

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MR. N. M. BUCH

RAJKOT, April 28. (API)—Mr. N. M. Buch, Joint Secretary, States Ministry, who is now here, will leave tomorrow for Bhopal. Mr. V. P. Menon, Political Adviser, States Ministry, is also expected in Bhopal tomorrow. They are going to Bhopal for talks on the integration of the State with the Indian Union it was understood here. Later Mr. Buch and Mr. Menon will leave for Gwalior for settling the question of private properties of Madhya Bharat Rulers.

On May 9, Mr. Buch will proceed to Travancore to assume charge as chairman of the Travancore-Cochin Integration Committee.

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MR. K. M. MENON

MADRAS, April 28. (API)—Mr. K. Madhava Menon, Minister for Agriculture, Madras, will leave for Delhi by air tomorrow to attend the two-day Conference of Food and Agriculture Ministers called by the Government of India to discuss the question of fixation of grain prices.

MAHARAJA OF KASHMIR

NEW DELHI, April 28. (API)—The Maharaja of Jammu and Kashmir arrived here today from Jammu after an extensive tour of the interior of the State.

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For failing to surrender absentee's ration card and unlawfully drawing rations thereon, and selling bread unauthorisedly and at a higher than the controlled price, TAILOMIS FERNANDEZ was sentenced to 12 months' Rigorous Imprisonment and fined Rs. 1,000 or in default to undergo 8 months' Rigorous Imprisonment.

For selling wholemilk tea, AHMEDULLA was sentenced to months' Rigorous Imprisonment and fined Rs. 200 or in default to undergo one month's Rigorous Imprisonment. For similar offence, DAWOOD SK. ALLI was sentenced to one day's Simple Imprisonment and fined Rs. 100.

For selling wholemilk tea, MOHIDDIN MAJID was sentenced to one day's Simple Imprisonment and fined Rs. 200 or in default to undergo six weeks' Rigorous Imprisonment.

BOMBAY Stock Exchange

EARLY SELLING MEETS MODERATE BUYING IN STEEL SHARES

BOMBAY, April 28.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was fairly steady today with routine trading. Both Bulls and Bears are trying to move the market in their favour but without very little result.

Tata Steel Defds. opened today at Rs. 1355 and declined at Rs. 1330 on moderate long liquidation but rallied on short covering at Rs. 1345. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 272 and after declining at Rs. 269 rallied at Rs. 271. Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 940 and after declining at Rs. 937 improved at Rs. 942. Kohinoor Shares were quoted at Rs. 279 while Swadeshi Shares changed hands at Rs. 298/12. Central Indias were quoted at Rs. 246 and Gokaks were done at Rs. 269. Simplex Shares were steady at Rs. 175.

Tata Powers were done at Rs. 1470. Bombay Burmas were quoted at Rs. 278/12 and Associated Cements were done at Rs. 137/8. Scindia were quiet at Rs. 13/7 while New India Shares were quoted at Rs. 57.

FORWARD SECTION

MILL SHARES	
Bombay Dyeing (10-8)	943 12
Kohinoor Mills (4-2)	280 8
Svadeshi Mills (1-4)	299 0
Central India Mills (4)	245 0
Simplex Mills (3)	175 0
New Great Eastern (8)	157 0
Indore (9 plus 3)	142 8
Gokak Mills (12) XD	268 8
Century Spinning (15)	251 4
Colaba (12)	150 0
India Bleaching (6)	152 8
Swan Mills (20)	317 0
Finlay Mills (15) XD	256 0
Morarji Gokuldas	450 0
Edward Sassoon (30)	200 0
Meyer (12)	110 0
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	3 0 3
India United Ord. (0-12-9)	10 10 6
India United Defd. (9-2-6)	1 8 6
Madhusudan Mill (15)	180 0
Podar (S)	136 4
Khatau Makanji (5)	198 12
STEEL SHARES	
Tata Steel Ord. (4)	271 0
Tata Steel Defd. (64-15)	1342 8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (7-8)	139 0
CEMENT	
Associated Cement (6)	137 4
INDUSTRIES	
Burma (12-8)	277 8
Belapur Sugar (9)	200 0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	25 8
Scindia Steam (0-8)	13 9
Premier Construction	88 0
Tata Chemical	8 11
Tata Oil (2)	57 8
India Iron (0-12)	22 5
Bengal Steel (0-8-0)	18 10
British India Corp. (0-9)	7 11
I. Copper	2 1
Wimco	168 12
Alcock	252 8
ELECTRIC SHARES	
Tata Hydro (3)	147 0
Andhra Valley (30)	1397 8
Tata Power (25)	1465 0

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS	
Elphinstone Mills (5)	61 0
Phonix	197 8
Indian Mfg.	4150 0
Kurla	107 8
New City	180 0
Minerva (12)	128 12
Bradbury	460 0
Bharat Mills (2)	27 4
Bharucha Defd. (0-4)	4 13
Mysore Spg. Mills (8)	172 8
Madhavji Dharamsi (0-12)	14 8
Model Mills (12-8)	190 0
Lakshmi Cotton (25)	587 8
Vishnu Cotton (8)	197 8
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	9 4
Western India (40)	4070 0
Standard (15)	225 0
Sholapur Mills (200)	3300 0
Hindustan Mills (40)	4000 0
Tata Mills (2-4)	54 8
Ahmedabad Advance Old (9)	250 0
Ahmedabad Advance New	195 0
Sassoon Silk (3)	29 8
New Union Mills (0-8)	9 0
Madhusudan B (2-8)	35 0
Srinivas Mills (8)	150 0
Raja Bahadur Poona (4)	78 12
Berar Mills	281 4
Victoria Mills	225 0
New Great New	156 0
ELECTRICS (CASH)	
Ahmedabad Electric (4-8)	121 4
Ahmedabad New	44 8
Surat Electric (2-8)	140 0
Karachi Electric (2)	131 4
Broach (0-5)	10 10
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10 6 8
Amalgamated (0-12)	12-8
Nagpur Electricity (1-12)	26 8
Poona Electric Supply (8)	146 4
Bombay Suburban (3) X.R.	128 6
Bombay Suburban new (2)	152 8
BANK SHARES	
Imperial Bank of India (35)	1777 8
Imperial Bank of India P.P (8-12)	431 4
Central Bank	81 0
Central Bank New (1-8)	80 8
Bank of Baroda (2-8) XD	126 8
Union (0)	7 6
Bank of India (4)	180 8
Devkaran Nanjee Bank (1-8)	45 0
United Commercial (1-8)	52 0
Jaipur Bank (1-6)	35 8
Hindustan Commercial	26 12
Mysore Bank (8)	365 0
Exchange Bank (1-8)	22 0
Eastern Bank (0-14-6)	105 0
INSURANCE	
Oriental (125)	5100 0
Empire (10)	625 0
New India (1-)	57 0
Jupiter (1-4)	16 0
Vulcan (0-10)	11 8
Indian Mercantile (2)	37 0
Universal (0-4)	11 4
B. I. G. (1)	19 12
Industrial and Prudential	29 8
Neptune	8 2
New Great	25 0
All India General	15 10
RAILWAY SHARES	
C.P. (1-14)	111 0
Pachora Jamner Rly. (2-8)	120 4
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES	
Steamer (10)	220 0
Bombay Burma New (5)	105 0
Burma Petrol	1 4 3
Mackenzie (6)	70 0
Port Canning (3)	68 8
Kemp and Co. (30)	415 0
Zandu Pharmacy (7)	150 0
Industrial Invest Trust (3-12) XD	89 0
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	39 0
Mukund Iron	40 0
Dena Trust (0-12)	18 0
Alembic (15)	191 4
Supreme India X.R.	. .
Jam Wire (6)	67 4
Bombay Uganda	60 8
Bombay Motor Cycle	30 0
Indian Cement (1937)	18 0
Walchand Nagar Industries (E.S.)	131 4
Associated Cement New (3)	132 4
United Motor	32 0
Bombay Safe Deposit '27)	880 0
Hydary Construction	19 10
Mahmadi Steam	96 0
Gujarat Motor	20 0
Sardar Carbolic X.D	700 0
Harvey Press	310 0
Estrela Batteries	51 0
Manmad Press	120 0
PREFERENCE SHARES	
Tata Steel 1st (6)	191 14
Andhra Valley (7)	1212 8
Tata Power (7-8)	1260 0
Hydro Electric (7)	122 8
Bombay Steamer (6)	308 4
Central India (5)	625 0
Swadeshi Mills	126 4
Vishnu Mills (7)	640 0
Lakshmi Mills	275 0
New Great Mills (5-8)	227 8
Podar Mills (4)	108 0
Shrinivas Mills	98 0
Elphinstone Mills (7)	112 8
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	310 0
Surat Electricity (3-4)	145 0
Premier Construction 1st (61-4)	118 0
Premier Construction 2nd (6-4)	102 0
Amalgamated (5-8)	123 2
Habib	72 0
Tata Chemical (5)	122 8
Walchand Nagar Indus (7)	130 0
Jupiter General	19 14
Meyer	121 4
Mackenzie 1st	85 0
Mackenzie 2nd	80 0
Ahmedabad Advance	132 8
Mysore Mills	50 0
Standard Mills	101 0
Madhusudan Mills	12 0
Khatau Mills	102 8
Morarji	106 0
DEBENTURES	
Andhra 1952 (4)	103 8
Bombay Steamer (1959) (4-8)	101 10
Indian Rume Pipe (6)	101 0
Walchand Nagar (6)	105 0
Tata Power 1951	103 0
OUTSIDE SHARES	
Burma Corporation	2 3 0
New Victoria Mill	2 0
New Victoria Mills (Pref)	4 12
Phalton Sugar (8) X.D.	105 0
Gold Mohur (20)	312 8
New Kaiser-Hind	360 0
Sajjan Mills (20)	160 0
Osmanshahi Mills (10)	265 0
Azam Jahi Mills (10)	270 0
Air Service XR	6 8
Air India	91 0
Hind Motor	3 14 0
India Steam	6 7

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, April 28

Tata Ordinary 271; Tata Deferred 1342-8; Indian Iron 22-6. Steel Corpn. of Bengal 18-10; Bombay Dyeing 943-12; Central India 245; Gokak 268-12; Kohinoor 280-10; Simplex 175; Swadeshi 299-8; Tata Power 1465; Associated Cement 137-8; Belapur 200; Bombay Burma (Old) 277-8; Scindia 13-9; Central Bank 81; New India 57, Tata 2nd Pref. 139.

LONDON STOCKS

LONDON, April 27.

Consols 2-1/2 per cent £81-1/4.
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 1961 £106-15/16.
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90 £113-1/2.
War Loan 3-1/2 per cent 1952 and after £102-15/16.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London Reg. £94.
National Bank of India £39.
Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 5,577.

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, April 28.

Once again produce market fluctuated today within a narrow range owing to restricted business. Castorseeds September delivery opened at Rs. 136/14 and after improving at Rs. 137 declined at Rs. 136/12 and steadied at Rs. 136/14 The Market finally closed at Rs. 136/11.

Quotations were as under:

GROUNDNUTS—	
Khandesh quality	37 14 0
Coromandal	37 10 0
Bold ready	37 3 0
Bold April-May	37 4 0
Bold June-July	37 10 0
CASTORSEEDS—	
Ready	28 0 0
May delivery	139 12 0
September	136 11 0
LINSEED—	
Ready	30 14 0
April-May	30 11 0
June-July	30 7 0
GROUNDNUT OILS—	
Ready	20 12 0
Ready receipts	20 10 0
May	20 15 0
June	21 1 0
July	21 3 0
Linseed oil	18 12 0
Castorseed oil first pressing quality	17 8 0
Castorseed oi commercial quality	18 8 0

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, April 28.

2 1/2 per cent 1954	98 7 0
2 1/2 per cent 1950	100 5 0
2 1/2 per cent 1955	99 10 0
2 1/2 per cent 1961	96 8 0
2 3/4 per cent 1960	99 8 0
2 3/4 per cent 1962	99 3 0
2 3/4 per cent 1976	96 10 0
3 per cent non-terminable	98 4 1
3 per cent 1986 Con.	98 8
3 per cent 1949-52	100 6 0
3 per cent 1951-54	101 3 0
3 per cent 1953-55	101 8 0
3 per cent 1959-61	101 2 0
3 per cent 1959-61	100 15 0
3 per cent 1963-65	100 6 0
3 per cent 1966-68	100 2 0
3 per cent 1970-75	100 0 0
3 1/2 per cent 1954-59	104 10 0
4 per cent 1960-70	110 6 0
4 1/2 per cent 1950-55	103 0 0
4 1/2 per cent 1955-60	111 9 0
4 1/2 per cent 1953-58	114 14 0

PROVINCIAL LOANS.

2 3/4 per cent U.P. 1961	97 10 0
2 3/4 per cent Madras 1961	97 8 0
3 per cent Bombay 1955	100 12 0
3 per cent Bombay 1958	100 10 0
3 per cent Punjab 1949	99 0 0
3 per cent Madras 1952-53	100 6 0
3 per cent U.P. 1952	100 6 0
3 per cent C.P. 1952	100 6 0
3 per cent N.W.F. 1952	97 4 0
3 per cent U.P. 1961-66	100 0 0
4 per cent B.P.T.	110 12 0
4 per cent B. Municipality	110 8 0
5 per cent B. Municipality 1959	114 0 0
6 per cent B. Municipal 1954	115 0 0
3 per cent B. Municipal 1950-60	107 0 0

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA

The following is the Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 22nd April:

LIABILITIES	Rs.
CAPITAL	5,62,50,000
Reserve Fund	6,27,50,000
Fixed Deposits, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts	265,31,77,000
Sundries	1,78,18,000
Total	278,99,95,000

INVESTMENTS: ASSETS	Rs.
Government Securities	95,11,20,000
Other Authorised Investments	9,52,62,000
ADVANCES:	
Loans	33,85,54,000
Cash Credits and Overdrafts	88,90,78,000
Bills Discounted and Purchased	6,67,43,000
Dead Stock	1,57,34,000
Sundries	1,98,02,000
CASH:	
In hand and with the Reserve Bank of India	31,14,20,000
Balances with other Banks	10,22,82,000
Total	278,99,95,0000

ART SILK QUOTATIONS

BOMBAY, April 28.

ITALY READY	
120 D	3 5 0
150 D	3 10 0
JAPAN READY	
120	3 7 6
150 3-9-6 Forward	
120 D Box April	716 0 0
150 D Box May	728 0 0

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, April 28.

The local bullion market was very steady with active buying by local bulls. At the opening forward Silver was quoted at Rs. 180/12 and sharply advanced at Rs. 181/14 on general professional buying and short covering. Later on there was some realising and the market reacted at Rs. 181/6. Ready Silver was quiet at Rs. 181.

Forward Gold opened today at Rs. 113 and improved at Rs. 113/3 but quietened at Rs. 112/14 on scattered realising. Ready Gold was quoted at Rs. 114/2 and Sovereigns were placed at Rs. 73/14.

The market finally closed as under.

Silver Ready	180 14 0
Silver Vaishakh	181 7 0
Gold Ready	113 12 0
Gold Vaishakh	113 0 0

NEW YORK PEPPER PRICES

NEW YORK, April 27 (U.P.A.): Sellers shaded the price on spot Lampong one cent to 87 cents per pound on the New York Market today. Despite Indian shippers' higher cables and uncertainty over Indonesian clearance the domestic buying interest was at a low ebb.

Nearby afloat supplies were quoted at 86 cents per pound and May/June shipment at 85 cents per pound, nominal. One Indian shipper was reported to be offering May clearance at 89 cents per pound.

White pepper remained unchanged at 1.25 dollars per pound, spot.

Spice brokers, Hans and Burns, on Wednesday reported that black pepper "certainly maintains its score for registering new surprices each week.' Recalling last week's large scale orders the firm added, "What prompted the sudden grand scramble may never come out in the open and only time will tell whether the purpose is accomplished. There is no denying the fact that the world supply of black pepper is insufficient. However, the main question still remains 'how much will our consumers absorb at present levels."

On the New York Produce Exchange today, prices closed inactive and nominally unchanged.

Closing prices included.

May/July	83
September	80
October	77
December	66
January	55
March	50

Other seed prices included: Castorseeds dol 103 nom; Cotton-seeds, dol. 40 nom; Flaxseeds dol. 6.00; Linseed oil 27.6 cents; Peanuts 20-1/2-21; Groundnut oil 13-1/4.

LONDON PEPPER PRICES

LONDON, April 27.

The pepper market remained quiet with buyers uninterested at the present level of prices. Singapore was quoting black at 4/3-1/2 sellers, but white was unquoted.

Malabar, April/May, was considered at 465/- buyers, 470/- sellers.

WORTH STREET ACTIVITY QUIET

NEW YORK, April 27.

Activity on the Worth Street Cotton Cloth Market was quiet today with the exception of a demand for Jeans from the work clothes trade.

In print cloths, softening price tendencies grew more apparent in wide goods. Pace-setting 80-square-four-yard print moved at 19 cents for quick delivery which was a new low quotation and bag makers bought odd lot offerings in the sheeting division.

In Osnabur , discouragement on new business prospects was expressed following reports that the Japanese had under-bid American mills by three cents yardly on a pending 20,000,000-yard order for a South African bag manufacturer.

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, April 28.

There was no forward business today in the local cotton market as prices were above ceiling level.

INDIAN COTTON PARITY.

Indian cotton July contract is 850 cent points below New York July at Exchange rate 331.

ALEXANDRIA COTTON.

ALEXANDRIA, April 27.

Karnatak May	66.95+160
Karnak Nov.	58.67+ 37
Ashmouni June	47.65+ 30
Ashmouni Oct.	47.30+ 05

SINGAPORE PEPPER HIGHER

SINGAPORE, April 27.

Black Lampong was today quoted at SS$235 and Wite Muntok at SS$311 per picul of 133.3 lbs., f.o.b.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, April 28.

B C Rates T T D D 1-5 15/16 Ready.
B C Rates T T D D 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months
London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 Ready
London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 15/16 up to 6 Months
London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month
London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/8 7th and 9th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th—9th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th and 9th Month
New York and Montreal B C Rate T T Rs. 332 1/4.
Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 332 1/4
Banks Buying T T Rs. 330
Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 328 3/4
Montreal Rs 328 1/2
Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 329 Montreal Rs. 328 3/- L/C.
Paris Banks Selling T T Fcs 7860
Paris Banks Buying T T Fcs 8060
Amsterdam Banks Selling T T D Fl. 79
Belgium Banks Selling T T D D Fcs 1805
Java Banks Selling T T D D Gldg 79
Hongkong Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 84
Singapore Banks Selling T T D D Rs 157
Manila Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 165 1/4
New York/London Cross Rate dol. 4.02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4; London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. 52. 57-53. 43
London/Alexandra Cross Rate Pia. 97 1/4-3/4; London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl. 10.68-70; London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tol. 40; London-Belgium Cross Rat Fcs. 176 1/2-3/4; London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19.32-36; London/Hongkong Cross Rate Kr. 1/3 1/16-1/2 15/16 London/Iran Cross Rate Rl. 128-130; London/Java Cross Rate Fl 10.68-70; London/Lisbon Cross Rate Es. 99.80-100.20; London/Manila Cross Rate Pes. 8.09-8.14; London/Montreal Cross Ratio dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4; London/New York Cross Rate dol. 4-02 3/4-4.03 1/4; London/Oslo Cross Rate Kr. 19.98-20.02; London/Paris Cross Rates Fcs 1061-1063; London-Prague Cross Rate K. 201-202; London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/4 1/16-2/4 3/16; London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kr. 14.47-50; London/Switzerland Cross Rate Fcs 17.34-36.
London Discts 3 Mos 9/16 p c; London Discts 6 Mos. 5/8 p c
Reserve: Bank Rate 3 p c; Bank of England Rate 2 p c,
Money :—Call 3/4 pc; 3 Mos 1 p c; 6 Mos 1-1/4 p c; 12 Mos 1-1/2 p c,
Tone :—Tight.

NEW YORK COTTON PRICES REBOUND SMARTLY ON SHORT COVERING

Increase Profit Taking In Wall Street

NEW YORK, April 27 (PTI-Reuter: COTTON: While new crop positions were relatively firm based on wide discounts and export prospects, old crops registered wide movements. These positions opened sharply lower reflecting heavy overnight accumulation of selling orders attributable to suspension of cotton shipments to China plus indications of covering against recent Japanese sales which are practically completed. A further discouraging factor was the textile news.

Prices rebounded smartly however on short covering and replacement buying attached by sharp sell off. This buying found contracts more scarce. All deliveries, except spot may reached new highs for the day during the afternoon session, featured principally by active trade covering and relative scarcity of contracts. The session closed very steady, with sales estimated at 310,000 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, April 27.

May	33.12	—13
July	3245	—13
July Highest	32.42	—11
July Lowest	32.28	—27
October	29.12	+05
December	28.90	+08
March	28.75	+05
Middling Spot	33.84	—28

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW YORK, April 27.

May	33.03	—12
July	32.29	—11
October	29.03	
December	28.81	+01
Middling Spot	32.75	—20

WALL STREET MARKET

STOCKS: The more encouraging Berlin situation and favourable first-quarter dividends and earnings of leading steel producers failed to inspire much investment. Initial mild well-distributed extension of Tuesday's late stiffening attracted profittaking and the market turned irregular with mostly fractional gains slightly in the majority. Steels as a group remained higher although some were a trifle under the best while support was also in evidence for leading motors, nonferrous minings, amusements, tobaccos, containers and rails. The averages were Industrials 174.46 and rails 47.72.

There was little in the news to give the market needed fillip and most sections fluctuated quietely around earlier levels. Even the hope of the united mine-workers committee that the new wage contracts for coalminers could be consumated "without strife or economic loss" and "without imposition of oppressive legal sanctions by government" could not provide the necessary incentive to buyers. Discussing the market, some quarters said the tone of the stock-market has recently improved probably as a result of better news from Europe which offset the Communist success in China. They added however that traders are moving slowly in buying stocks in the belief that if the American blockade is lifted soon the momentum in deflation in the United States may be increased. Profittaking increased in late dealings and the close was irregular with the composite average rate recording a very minor gain.

CHICAGO GRAINS

CHICAGO, April 27:

GRAINS: The market scored fractional gains in sympathy with the strength of soybeans which advanced nearly two cents a bushel following the Senate Finance Committee action in repealing Federal Excise taxes and licence fees on the manufacture and sale of margarine. In wheat there was scattered buying against flour sales to the army quarter master and on expectations that Italy will render the flour market in the next few days. Export circles reported additional purchases of Canadian wheat by Belgium. It is estimated that Belgium is still marketing for around 750,000 bushels against originally inquiry totalling some 3,250,000 bushels.

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, April 28.

MILLS

Apollo 3 3-0-6 3-0-3
Bharat 29-8 29-4
B. Dyeing 947-8 37-8 40 36-4 45 43-12
C. India 247 45
Century 250 51-4
E. Textiles 200
Elphinstone Ord. 61
Elphinstone Pref. 111-4 12-8
Finlay 255 56
Gokak 270 68-8
I.U. Defd. 1-8-6 1-8-3 1-8-6
I.U. Ord. 10-11 10-10-6 10-11 10-10-6
Indore 142-8
Kohinoor 281-8 78 80-8
Meyer 110
Morarji 450
New Great 157
Podar 136-4
Sassoon Silk 29-8 (Ex Right)
Sassoon Cotton 9-4
Simplex 176-8 75
Svadeshi 301-8 2 298-8 99
Tata Mills 54-8

STEAMER

B. Steam 220
Scindia 14-4 13-6 13-11 13-9 13-12 13-10.

BANKS

Baroda 126-8
Central 80-12 81-8 81
Central A New 80-8
Imperial Old 1790 77-8
Imperial New 435 30-10 31-4
India 181-12 80-8
Union 7-8 7-6
U. Commercial 52

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 121|4
Andhravalley 1400, 1397|8
Suburban 127|8 28|2
Hydro 147
Hydro Pref 122|8
Power 1465 60 65

INSURANCE

B. I. G. 19|12
New India 57 57|8 57

STEEL

B. Steel 18|6 18|10
I. Iron 22|5 22|2 22|6
Tata Defd. 1360 35 42|8 25 50 42|8
Tata Ord. 271|8 69|8 69|8 71
Tata Ind Pref 139

MISCELLANEOUS

Alcock 246|4 52|8
A.C.C. Old 138 37 37|8 37 37|4
Belapur 204 199 201 200
Belapur 204 299 201 200
BB. Old 280 77|8 78|12 77|8
B.B. Petrol 1|4 1|4|3
B.I.C. 7|11
I Copper 2|1
I.I. Trust 89
P. Const. 90|8 83|8 88
Shivrajpur 25|8
Tata Chem 8|8 8|6 8|12 8|10 8|11
Tata Pref 121|4 20 21|4
Tata Oil 57|8 57|12 57|8
Walchandnagar 131|4
Wimco 168|12

Skipping News

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, April 28.

S. S. KALAVATI

From Karachi: 251 bales cotton raw, 10,000 bags portland cement, 294 bags drakh 214 bags apricots 1,454 bundles khishmish, 237 bundles abjosh, 30 bags pista dodi, 208 bags kalidrak, 50 bags angoor, 31 bags grapes, 2,056 bags goowar.

S. S. CARTHAGE

From London: 491 cases photo materials.

S. S. JALA MANI

From Karachi: 30,000 bags portland cement, 1,700 bags goowar.

S. S. SIR JOHN FRANKLIN

From Philadelphia: 170 drums solvent oil 442 drums diesel oil 140 drums kerosene.

From Melbourne: 106 bales sconred soda flask, 140 bags soda ash, 40 drums steel files, 420 ctns hardware metal crown work, 274 ctns books, 103 drums petroleum oil,, 500 drums lubricating oil, 89 ctns razor and brass. 105 cases toilet requisites, 50 bales second hand woollen clothing, 45 drums chemicals, 40 drums engine oil, 115 drums power fuel oil, 300 drums mineral power fuel oil, 70 drums diesel fuel oil, 46 drums conduit pipes, 390 screw jack and crow bars, 176 bundles structural steel.

S. S. MALOJA

From Belbourne: 106 bales scoured wool, 100 cases tinned butter, 60 cases cheese.

S. S. JALA KALA

From Halifax: 49 cases potassium acetate granular.

S. S. DARA

From Busrah. 2,450 bags mash, 7,102 baskets wet dates, 60 barrels sheep skins, 89 bundles wool.

From Karachi: 264 bags hing, 677 bags corriander seeds, 208 bags goowar, 100 bales cotton raw, 904 bags cotton seeds.

S. S KHANDALA

From Mombasa: 2,064 bags cloves 2,263 bags wattle extract, 4,640 bales cotton.

From Daressalaam: 725 bales cotton lint 1,727 bales cotton.

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT

S. S. KHANDALA

To Mombasa: 11 bags betel nuts and 7 bags cardamoms—C. Ambalal. 6 bales cotton waste blankets—G. Moledina & Co.

To Daressalaam 34 bales cotton piecegoods—G. M. Moledina, 27 bales cotton piecegoods—Bombay Overseas Trading Co.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, April 28, (A. P. I.).

The Stock Exchange ruled steady and a fair business was put through. Following are today's final transactions upto 2-30 p.m.:—

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Three per cent Loan 1936 98/12, Three per cent Loan 1951/54 101/2 S. T., Three per cent Loan 1953/55 101/5 Small Lot, Three per cent Loan 1963/65 100/7, Three per cent Loan 1970/75 100, Four per cent Loan 1960/70 110/4.

BANKS: Hind Bank 27/8.

COTTONS: Cawnpore Textiles 9/12. New Victoria Mills Ordy. 2/3.

COALS: Bengal 393 Small Odd Lot, Byarat Colliery 5/14, Burrakur 11/2, Equitable 33/14, Nazira 6/8, Sendra 9/2, South Karanpura 22/10, Katras Jherriah 24, Searsole 5/14, Standard 16.

MININGS: Burma Corp. 2/3, Ind. Copper Cop. 2, Consolidated Tin -/14/-, Karanpura Development 22/2

MISCELLANEOUS: Reliance Firebricks 16, Sone Valley Cement 5/9, Alkali and Chemical 10, Ind. Iron and Steel Ord. 22/6, Kumardhubi Engineering 7/2, Marshalls 5/2, Saran Engineering 7/7, Steel Corp. of Bengal Ordy. 18/5, British India Corp. 7/10, B. B. Petroleum 1/4, Shree Gopal Paper 10/1, India Steamship 6/9.

SUGARS: Carew and Co. 7/11, Ryan 15/4 CT, United Provinces Sugar 9/2.

TEAS: Banarhat 247, Bishntuth 32, Dhelakhat 12 CT, East India 17/4 Hasimara 44/8, Loobah 5/2, Moheema Ordy. 5/8, Namburnadi 7, Rydak 50 Small Lot, Sarugaon 22/6, Teloijan 11/4.

Madras Share Bazar

MADRAS, April 28, (A. P. I.)

On the Madras market textiles ruled firm with large blocks of Lakshmis changing hands at Rs. 68 Banks shares remained featureless excepting for a further drop in Travancore banks.

Plantings continued weak.

The miscellaneous section remained steady.

Following are today's closing quotations on the Madras Stock Exchange:

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Government of India Three per cent Paper 98, Ditto Three per cent 1953/55 101/8, Government of Travancore Loan Three per cent 1952/54 101/8, Government of Madras Loan Three per cent 1960 100/1.

BANKS: Travancore 14/2.

PLANTINGS: Balmadies 1/12, Blue Mountain 2/6, Chembra 4/9, Cochin Malabar 3/9, Devashcia 16/14, Midland 3/8, Nellimpathy 1/8, Pullangode 0/12/6, Thirumbadi 1/11, T. R. and T O. Co. 5, Valkundam 7.

TEXTILES: Buckingham 146, Do. Pref. 193, Cambodia 9/2, Coimbatore CM 110 Do. Pioneer 112, Do. Spg. 44, Lakshmi 65/8, Madura 39/8, Mettur 306, Radhakrishna 133, Rajalakshmi 54, Ranga Vilas 47, Trav Rayons 3/10, Trichinopoly 11/4, A. Vasanta 98/8.

MISCELLANEOUS: Andhra Cement 65 F. A. C. T. 4/6, India Cement 16/13, Mettur Chem. 6/3, Mysore Chem. Fert. 7.

Karachi Markets

KARACHI, April 28.

Cotton Sind NT 91/8, Punjab 289, F 95 LSS 86/8, Four F 85, New Crop NT October Delivery 80/2, Steadier owing good offtake.

Spot business yesterday totalled 2000 bales besides Japanese trade mission bought twenty thousand largely of NT and 289, F types paying fairly satisfactory prices.

Exports 535 for Bombay and Trieste.

Cottonseeds NT Ready 8/14, May 9, Steady exports 2000 bags for India Gold 105/12, Sovereigns 68/8, Quiet.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, April 27.

American Telephone & Telegraph 145. Amerex Holding Co. 263/4. Anaconda Copper Mining 30-1/8 Chase National Bank 33-3/4. Sinclair Oil 22-5/8, Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co. 48. General Electric Co. 37-1/4. General Motors 57-1/2. New York 39. New York Central Rail Road Co. 11-1/8 Socony Vacuum Corportion 16-3/8 Texas Corporation 54 Union Carbide 36-3/4. U. S. Smelting Refining Mining C. 45. U. S. Steel Corporation Common 73-1/8. Western Union Telegraph 15-1/2.

LONDON EXCHANGES

LONDON, April 27.

T. T. London on:	Selling	Buying
New York	4.0275	4.0325
Montreal	4.0275	4.0325
Zurich	17.34	17.36
Stockholm	14.47	to 14.50

WOOL TOP PRICES

NEW DELHI, April 27.

Wool tops closed steady, off five up 15. May was quoted 152.5, 154.5; July 148.5, 150; October, 144, 145; December, 141.5, 143; March 1950, 139.5 traded; May 137, 138.5.

ECONOMIC BALANCE IN W. GERMANY

Division Of Responsibility

FRANKFURT, April 27. Balance of economic power in the West German federal republic, expected to be set up this summer, will lie in the hands of the Central Government but individual states will have a large measure of administrative independence, it was learned here to-night.

This division of responsibility, set out in the constitution finally approved at an Allied German meeting on Monday, means a victory for the Social Democrats in the eight months' struggle for a compromise text among the German parties.

Despite United States and French objections the Social Democrats have overcome Chritsian Democrat opposition in ensuring "economic centralism' for the new state.

In return they have had to agree to the states having greater administrative power as well as control of police and education matters.

Principal organ of legislation for the Republic will be a directly elected federal parliament (Volkstag).

The Federal Council, representing the states governments, will normally have power only to postpone legislation—a veto which can be overridden by a simple majority. The Federal Parliament will legislate on all major economic and social questions. The Federal Government will administer only those taxes which it uses for its own purposes. The states will themselves administer property taxes, taxes on capital (except the special post —war levy); death duties and local taxes. They will also administer income and corporation taxes except for any part claimed by the Federal Government.

INCREASE IN IMPORT DUTY ON CYCLES

Kanpur Federation's Plea For Cancellation

KANPUR, April 27. (API)—The All-India Federation of Cycle Traders, Kanpur, has sent a memorandum to the Government of India urging the cancellation of their recent order increasing the import duty on cycles, cycle parts and accessories.

The producing capacity of the Indian cycle industry, the memorandum stated, was hardly 50,,000 per annum, whereas the total requirement of the country was 600,000. A shortage of 550,000 cycles had to be met by importing cycles from the U.K. The memorandum asked whether it was right "to tax the poor consumers in order to protect an industry which is not in a position to meet even a small fraction of the total demand of the country".

Ceiling Price Of Gas

Rs. 3-15-0 per 1,000 cubic feet is the maximum price that will be charged by the Bombay Gas Company to any consumer or class of consumers within the limits of the Bombay Municipal Corporation and the Bandra Municipality. This price limit was accepted by the Government of Bombay on the recommendation of the Bombay Gas Rates Advisory Committee. It will, however, be revised when occasion arises, in consultation with the Advisory Committee.

Ahmedabad Share Bazar

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, April 28.

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Jubbulpore Letter

50 YEARS AT THE BAR

Pyari Charan Dutt Dies By Heart Failure

(From Our Correspondent)

JUBBULPORE (By Air Mail): Death, due to heart-failure occurred in the early hours of Friday last at his residence of Shri P. C. Dutt, the 83-year-old renowned barrister-at-law of Jubbulpore. The late Sir Pyari Charan Dutt had joined the Bar in 1890 and came to Jubbulpore in the beginning of the 20th Century. He had married an English lady. He had retired from practice in 1941, and had been leading a retired life. He was active to the last day of his life. His body was cremated on the morning of Saturday last at Gwarighat on the bank of the river Narmada, and it was allowed to remain undisturbed till the arrival from Allahabad of Shri Walter Chandra Dutt, barrister-at-law, formerly, the Advocate General of C. P. and Berar. It was first believed by the friends of the late Shri P. C. Dutt that he had embraced Christianity when he had married his English wife, and they could not decide as to whether the body of the late Dutt should be cremated or it should be buried in the absence of any definite instructions on this point in his last will. When his son, Shri Walter Dutt arrived here on the night of Friday last, and he declared that his father was a Hindu and not a Christian, then only the last rites were performed and the body was cremated 30 hours after the death.

The courts were closed on Friday last as a mark of respect to the late Shri P. C. Dutt. The members of the Bar Association held a condolence meeting and passed a resolution mourning Shri Dutt's demise and placed his services to the profession on the records.

LATE DR. SWAMY

Death, due to high-blood pressure, has occurred at the age of 56 of Dr. V. Swamy Naidu, in-charge of the Veterinary Hospital, Jubbulpore. The late Dr. Swami was a hard working and popular Vet., and his loss is much felt here by the public.

LATE JANAB BHOLE KHAN

A 70-year-old veteran Congress worker, Janab Bhole Khan of village Gadchiroli died a noble death on Sunday last. He was addressing a public meeting exhorting the people to subscribe generously towards the Gandhi National Memorial Fund and thus repay their debt to the Father of the Nation when all of a sudden in the midst of his speech, he felt giddiness and collapsed on the dias. He expired before any medical help could be rendered to him.

EXCISE RAID ON SUBHAS TALKIES

The Subhas Talkies, a newly started cinema house owned by the son of the Provincial Congress President, at Jubbulpore, was raided by the Excise party headed by the District Excise Officer, Jubbulpore on Friday last. It is alleged that the admission tickets to the cinema house were being sold to the public by the management and that no entertainment tax was paid to the Government on these tickets by the cinema proprietors. The Excise authorities have presented the challan against the suspects in the court of a magistrate of Jo ,00Tr f-l

Philippine Guerillas Kill Mrs. Quezon

MANILA, April 28. (UPA)—Pro-Communist Hukbalahap guerillas today ambushed and killed Mrs. Manuel Quezon, widow of the first president of the Philippine Republic and 15 other persons in the hills 75 miles north of Manila. Victims also included Mrs. Quezon's eldest daughter and son-in-law Felipe Buencamino, an official in the Filippine Foreign Office and recently secretary to the Filippine Legation at Rome.

A sudden fusillade of machine-gun bullets wiped out nearly half of the six-car cavalcade which Mrs. Quezon was leading to the inauguration of a hospital at her late husband's birthplace, Belar. The attack came so suddenly that an escort of constabulary troops failed to return fire and the assassins escaped.

It was conjectured that the guerillas may have believed that President Quirino was among those in the cavalcade.

TRAVANCORE AND COCHIN STATES FINANCES

Enquiry Committee Discussions Over

ERNAKULAM, April 28 (A.P.I.): The Indian States Finance Inquiry Committee concluded today its two-day discussions with the representatives of Travancore and Cochin on the future financial relationship of the two States with the centre.

The committee expects to submit its report to the Government of India early in June, Mr. V. T. Krishnamachari, the Chairman said here today.

Mr. Krishnamachari and Mr. Dandekar, a member of the committee, left by plane this afternoon for Bangalore where they will hold similar talks with Mysore Government representatives.

Law Tempered By Service At One's Door

CALCUTTA, April 28 (UPI): "The more I try such cases, the more I feel that I am sentencing a class of poor people, men and women, who are rendering a distinct service to the citizens at their very door", remarked a Calcutta Presidency Magistrate, Mr. B. Mookherjee, convicting and sentencing under the Essential Supplies Act a poor villager of Diamond Harbour to pay a fine of one anna or in default detention till the rising of the court.

The accused pleaded guilty and said that he had brought 10 seers of rice to Calcutta without permit.

Finding him technically guilty, the Magistrate in his judgment said: "It is a notorious fact that the rice we get in virtue of our ration cards is inadequate to feed us throughout a week, nothing to say of the quality. Perhaps to encourage such trading even on a small scale might ultimately lead to the breakdown of their rationing system in the city. Still the fact remains that but for people like the accused, many of those living in Calcutta—rice eaters in particular—would have to go without rice for at least two days in a week."

20-Year Plan To Develop Rubber Plantation

BANGALORE, April 28. (A. P. I.): The Indian Rubber Board today approved a 20-year plan submitted by the Development Sub-Committee for the development of rubber plantations in the country at a cost of eight crores of rupees.

De Mello Resigns Delhi D.C.A. Presidentship

NEW DELHI, April 28. (A. P. I.): Mr. A. S. de Mello tendered his resignation as President of the Delhi and District Cricket Association at a meeting of the Association today.

Mr. de Mello was the founder of the Association and its president for the last nine years.

Mr. de Mello will leave Delhi for Bombay tomorrow on his way to Europe.

Big Four Talks In New York

FLUSHING, April 28 (UPA): A top-ranking Western diplomat, familiar with the crucial talks on Berlin, forecast today that the Big Four talks would be held soon in New York to make final arrangement to lift the Berlin blockade and arrange a meeting on Germany of the Council of Foreign Ministers.

The Western source scouted reports that the Berlin blockade would be lifted within "three or four days." He said that, if that were true, "then the Russians would have to do it unilaterally since final details have to be worked out during joint informal talks with American, British, French and Soviet representatives."

The forecast of four-power preliminary talks marked the first official information that British and French officials would join the informal negotiations conducted thus far by Malik and Jessup.

Pakistan Letter

SINDHI—PUNJABI MUSLIMS CLASH

Police Restore Order After Making Some Arrests In Hyderabad

(From Our Correspondent).

KARACHI, April 25.—Report of a serious conflict between Sindhi Muslims and Punjabi refugees has been received from Hyderabad (Sind).

It is reported, the conflict arose over the possession of a house vacated by a Hindu. The migrating Hindu had entrusted it to the care of a Sindhi Muslim friend while some Punjabi Muslims desired to have it for themselves. Soon a good number of people collected on both sides and Lathis, brickbats, sodawater-bottles, etc., were freely used. On receiving information, Police arrived on the scene and restored order after great difficulty by resorting to firing in the air. Some arrests were effected from both sides and the injured were removed to the Hospital.

It will be recalled, such conflicts between Sindhi and non-Sindhi Muslims have now become common in Sind on account of the Punjabis trying to dominate over the Sindhi Muslims.

BIG SURPLUS OF RICE ESTIMATED

KARACHI, April 25.—It is estimated that this year the Rice Crop in Sind being very good, it will be possible to export about one lakh and twenty thousand tons to the deficit areas in Pakistan after meeting the needs of the province. Formerly, this good quality surplus Sindhi Rice was being exported to deficit areas in India, particularly South.

GESTURE OF GOODWILL TOWARDS IRAN

As a gesture of goodwill towards the people of Iran, the Government of Pakistan have decided to send 100 tons of foodgrains immediately to relieve the acute shortage of food experienced in some parts of Iran on account of the total failure of rains in such parts.

PERPETUATING MEMORY OF QUAID-I-AZAM

Over twelve acres of land around the grave of Quaid-i-Azam Jinnah has been set aside by the Karachi Municipal Corporation and handed over to the Pakistan Government for constructing a Jumma Musjid, Central Library, etc., in memory of the founder of this new State.

Post-War Reconstruction Schemes Not Abandoned

Criticism has been made in a section of the Press that following the revision of its Post-War Reconstruction Plan, the Government of Bombay has abandoned some of its schemes or left others half completed. This is not correct. Due to the curtailment of finances and the need to restrict expenditure to essential projects as part of the Government of India's anti-inflationery drive, the schemes originally included in the Five-Year Plan were re-examined and such of them as were found to be comparatively non-urgent or not immediately productive were either postponed to later years or spread over a longer period. In other cases, the pace of execution was slowed down. The Government has set up an Expenditure Priorities Committee, which scrutinises individual items for purposes of making financial provisions for them. The execution of these schemes is undertaken on a priority basis in the following order: Agriculture (including Veterinary) and Irrigation; Industries; Education; Communications; Public Health (including Medical services); Co-operation and Labour Welfare.

No schemes under execution have been entirely abandoned or left half completed.

Sobolev Replaced At U.N.

FLUSHING, April 28 (UPA): Secretary-General, Trygve Lie today announced the resignation of the Assistant Secretary General, Russian Arkady Sobolev, and his replacement by Konstantin Zinchenko, present Secretary General of the Soviet delegation to the United Nations.

Sobolev's resignation had been anticipated since his return to Moscow four weeks ago to visit his sick son.

Zinchenko was personal assistant to V. M. Molotov at the Paris Peace Conference and a former head of the Foreign Press Bureau in the Soviet Foreign Office.

There has been some speculation that the change in Russian attitude toward the United States might be attributed to Sobolev's presence in Moscow.

Message Rate System For Bombay

BOMBAY, April 28 (A.P.I.): The proposed introduction of message rate system is going to be effective for all telephone connections in Bombay from May 16, 1949. The flat-rate system of payment is to be substituted by the message rate. This means the determination of the flat rate hiring contracts which will be replaced by new message ratee hiring contract forms. These new message rate hiring contract forms are in the process of being posted to the subscribers while notices determining the existing flat rate hiring contract forms are already issued. The telephone administration in Bombay desires that the subscribers will appreciate that notices determining the existing hiring contracts are issued to them only as a necessary new message rate hiring contract formality.

CITY J. P. ARRESTED

Charge Of Selling Petrol Without Taking Coupons

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Isaac Solomon MacMull, an Honorary Presidency Magistrate, and owner of MacMull's Garage at Bombay Central, was arrested by the Nagpada police last night following a raid on the garage. Three of the employees of the petrol pump were also taken into custody.

It is alleged that acting on information received at the Nagpada Police Station to the effect that MacMull's Garage was selling petrol at an exorbitant rate without taking the necessary coupons, S. I. Goudinho with a posse of constables raided the garage at 9-30 p.m. after having sent a bogus customer with Rs. 30 in marked currency to purchase five gallons of petrol.

The raiding party recovered the marked notes paid by the bogus customer, and seized a number of unused petrol coupons found on the premises.

Isaac MacMull was arrested last night along with three of the pump attendants.

The accused were produced before Mr. J. M. Barot, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagon Court, to-day. Isaac MacMull was released on bail of Rs. 10,000, while the employees of the garage were remanded into police custody pending further enquiries by the police.

'Pugree' Accused Acquitted

Holding that the prosecution had "failed positively on the most salient points", Mr. K. J. Khambatta, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Court, acquitted Mr. S. Parelkar, a building contractor and H. B. Parelkar, student, who stood charged with accepting a "Pugri of Rs. 5,500 and abetment respectively.

Mr. Khambatta said, "I do not think this a case in which the accused should be acquitted by merely giving them the benefit of the doubt".

Referring to the two prosecution witnesses, M. P. Ganpule and B. S. Naringrekar, the Magistrate maintained that it was quite easy for two persons to come out with the outlines of a story, but the evidence of these witnesses "had been broken to pieces" in the cross-examination.

The case for the prosecution was that M. S. Parelkar received Rs. 5,500 as a pugree for two blocks under construction from Naringrekar. The student was allged to have abetted the offence by secreting it in a hut. Naringrekar was introduced as a prospective tenant by Ganpule, who first inquired about the blocks and later informed the police.

The Magistrate opined that the case had been got up by Ganpule and Naringrekar, not because of any 'bonafide' need of accommodation, but from other considerations; there was no answer to the defence criticism that the other considerations were, spite against S. H. Parelkar, the father of M. S. Parelkar.

FURTHER DECLINE IN STRIKE ACTIVITY

There were 35 strikes involving about 37,400 workers and a time loss of 88,500 man-days in March last as against 40 in the preceding month and 64 in March, 1948. There was, however, an increase in the number of workers involved over the preceding month mainly due to the strikes in the Swadeshi Mills and Firestone Tyre and Rubber Company and the one-day token strike by the Dock workers, which together accounted for about 60 per cent of the workers involved in all the strikes and about 55 per cent of the total time-loss

Nearly half the number of strikes did not last more than three days. About 67 per cent of the wage earners involved were in these brief stoppages.

Ten of the 35 strikes were in the textile industry, involving about 13,300 workers and a loss of 37,500 working days.

Stoppages not connected with industrial disputes were responsible for a further loss of about 15,000 mandays.

Ahmedabad Share Market

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, April 28.

Market flutuated narrowly. There was tussle between bearers and bulls in deffered. Bearers attempted to break the level of 1330 but due to constant support it was frustrated. Mills shares were steady.

Deferred opened 1350, lowest 1332, highest 1356, closed 1344.

Closing quotations Calico 1161, Arvind 1528, Ambika 420, Deferred 1344, Atul 36-8-0, national 1430, Nutan 477-8, Rohit 122-8.

PATNA, April 28, (U. P. I.): The Bihar Government has decided to take over the Gaya Electric Supply Company because of the failure of the said company to maintain an efficient service for the town.

Latest Commercial

NEW YORK COTTON JULY.

NEW YORK, April 28.

Previous Closing	32.40
Today's Opening	32.34
Difference	—6
Today's Closing	32.12
Difference	—28

LAST QUOTATIONS

BOMBAY, April 28.

Silver Vaishak	181 8
Gold Vaishak	113 0
Silver Bullion	180 14
Silver Mint	181 0
Gold Ready	114 4
Sovereign	74 0

EXPECTATION:

Cotton Jarila May 624 8

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK April 28.

Stock exchange opening prices Anaconda copper mining unquoted, General motors 57-3/8, United States steel common 73, Ditto pref. unquoted.—(Reuter).

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Quietly Steady Tone

LONDON, April 28 (PTI-Reuter): Although trading was down to bare minimum in the London Stock Exchange today prices generally remained steady. Interest was selective and produced scattered firm spots.

Brazilian rails were again in demand. Speculative buying resulted in advances in most issues and was prompted by hopes of an early announcement concerning the takeover.

Among home issues cable and wireless ordinary stock was active market at around 231 the price showed a gain of several points and was the result of buying in advance of the company meeting. This is being held tomorrow and some decision regarding the disposal of compensation monies is expected.

Changes in other industrials were few. Textiles were supported from provinces but the same quarters were offering irons and steels.

Oils were easier throughout. Small sales depressed leading issues by onethirtysecond with Burmah oil at three and onethirtysecond.

South African minings were selectively firmer in small trading.

CHICAGO WHEAT

CHICAGO, April 27.

May	2.25
July	1.96-7/8
September	1.96-3/4
December	-.98-3/4

LONDON WHEAT

LONDON, April 27.

Australian New Crop 96 April-May.

NEW YORK SILVER

LONDON, April 27.

U. S. Price of Foreign Silver 71-1/2 cents.

FORTNIGHTLY RETURNS BY COTTON DEALERS

Provisions Of Licensing Order Explained

Licensees under the Bombay Cotton Licensing Order, 1949, are informed that they must submit fortnightly returns to Licensing Authorities by the 20th of the month for the first fortnight and by the 5th of the succeeding month for the second fortnight. Detailed instructions regarding these returns will be issued to individual licensees, shortly.

It is an offence to carry on dealings in, or store, cotton without a licence. The order, however, does not apply to those holding stocks not exceeding 24 bales of ginned and pressed cotton or boras of ginned cotton. Brokers who only charge commission for purchases or sales made in the names of their principals and neither deal in cotton in their own names nor store cotton need not take out licences

Persons failing to submit returns, or sending false returns, or contravening the provisions of the Licensing Order in any other way are liable under the Bombay Essential Commodities and Cattle (Control) Act, 1946, read with the Bombay Essential Supplies (Temporary Powers) and the Essential Commodities and Cattle (Control) (Enhancement of Penalties) Act, 1947, to be punished by (i) imprisonment for a term which may extend to seven years, (ii) fine and (iii) forfeiture to Government of any property in respect of which the Court is satisfied that the order has been contravened.

Clause 7 of the Cotton Licensing Order provides that a manufacturer of yarn shall not have in his possession a quantity of cotton more than is reasonably required for manufacturing yarn during the next six months. This restriction applies to both Indian and foreign cotton, but the Government has no intention ordinarily, of preventing any mill from storing imported cotton in excess of its six months' requirements. It is only when circumstances compel the Government that the surplus cotton available with any mill may have to be distributed to another mill.

Calicut Market

(From Our Correspondent.)

CALICUT, April 28.

Cotryarn Beypore 135/145, Quilandy 145/155, Fibre Garbled 88, Ungarbled 75, Cocoanuts Raw 166/168, Dry 170/15, Cococnut Oil 565, Copra Omce 375, Dilpasand 385, Madrasnottam 425, Pepper Wynaad 1740, Country 1715, Dry Ginger Chernad 700, Ernad 700, Coffee Robusta 160, Timber Pali 50/55, Junglewood 30/32/8, Vellapine 65/70, Benteak 45/53/8, Teak, 90/120, Mango 3/2/3/4, Teak 20/25, Rosewood 20/25.

Indo-Finnish Trade Talks

NEW DELHI, April 28 (UPI): Negotiations for concluding an Indo-Finnish trade agreement will begin here tomorrow, the Government of Finland's representative Mr. Eric Ahlquist having arrived here this morning, it is learnt.

EXPORT OF IRON ORE TO JAPAN

Movement Programme Approved

NEW DELHI, April 28.

A programme of 8 special trains, at the rate of one per day beginning from May 7, for the movement of 8,000 tons of iron ore from Darajamada to Calcutta for purposes of exjort to Japan was finalised at today's meeting of the Standing Committee of the Central Board of Transport. Shri S. Chakravarti, I.C.S., Joint Secretary, Ministry of Transport, was in the chair.

Shri S. N. Bhalla, Joint Director of Movements, Food Ministry, informed the Committee included: (1) movefoodgrains from Saurashtra was generally satisfactory as a result of the special transport facilities provided by the Committee. Reviewing the grain movement from East Punjab, he said that out of three lakh tons of gram about 1.86 lakh tons had already been moved to Bombay, Saurashtra, Madras and other areas. He added that clearance of foodgrains from Vizagapatam harbour was also satisfactory owing to improved wagon supplies.

The Chairman informed the Committee that since April 20, one special train had been set apart for clearance of dock traffic from Bombay Port to Ahmedabad and stations beyond. This step had been taken as part of the drive to improve all aspects of dock working.

Demands for transport approved by the Committee included: (1) movement of iron pipes from Assam to stations in the U.P.; (2) movement of hay and fodder from surplus areas in East Punjab to deficit areas in the Province; and (3) one special train of ghee for the defence services from Bangalore to Northern India.

The Committee also considered a request from the U.P. Government for special facilities for the movement of iron and steel, cement from Mysore and other materials required for the setting up of a power alcohol plant at Sardarnagar on O.T. Railway. The plant, it was explained, was being established to relieve the full oil position in the Province.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, April 28.

The stock exchange ruled steady and a fair business was put through.

Following are today's final transactions upto 2-30 p.m.

GOVT. SECURITIES: Three per cent loan 1966 98/12, three per cent loan 1951/54 101/2, three per cent loan 1953/55 101/5, three per cent loan 1963/65 100/7, three per cent loan 1970/75 100/-, four per cent loan 1960/70 110/4

BANKS: Hind Bank 27/8.

COTTONS: Cawnpore Textiles 9/12, New Victoria Mills Ordy. 2/3.

COALS: Bengal 393, Bharat Colliery 5/14, Burrakur 11/2, Equitable 33/14, Nazira 6/8, Sendra 9/2, South Karanpura 22/10, Katras Jherriah 24/-, Searsole 5/14, Standard 16/-.

MININGS: Burma Corp. 2/3, Ind. Corp. 2/-, Consolidated Tin 14/-, Karanpura Development 22/2.

MISCELLANEOUS: Reliance Firebricks 16/-, Sone Valley Cement 5/9, Alkali and Chemical 10/-, Ind. Iron and Steel Ordy. 22/6, Kumardhubi, Engineering 7/2, Marshalls 5/2, Saran Engineering 7/7, Steel Corp. of Bengal Ordy. 18/5, British India Corp. 7/10, BB Petroleum 1/4, Shree Gopal Paper 10/1, India Steamship 6/9.

SUGARS: Carew and Co. 7/11, Ryam 15/4, United Provinces Sugar 9/2.

TEAS: Banarhat 247/-, Bishnauth 32/-, Dhelakhat 12/-, East India 17/4, Hasimara 44/8, Loobah 5/2, Moheema Ordy. 5/8, Namburnadi 7/-, Rydak 50/-, Sarugaon 22/6, Teloijan 11/4.—(API).

BEVIN CONFERS WITH PERSIAN AMBASSADOR

LONDON, April 28 (UPA)—Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin today conferred with Persian Ambassodor Mohasen Rais. It was understood that the discussion centred on Russian-Persian relations and the recent border incidents and exchange of notes between Moscow and Teheran.

FUTURE OF SILK INDUSTRY

Dr. Mookerjee's Call For Increased Production At Lower Cost

BANGALORE, April 28 (A.P.I.): India's Minister for Industry and Supply, Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee, said here today that if the Indian silk industry was to survive, "its production must be increased, quality improved and cost reduced."

Dr. Mukherjee was presiding over the first meeting of the All India Silk Board, of which he is the ex-officio chairman.

Dr. Mukherjee said before the last war India was producing one million pounds of raw silk. Production had now increased to about 24 million pounds "but there is still a very large gap between production and demand."

COST OF PRODUCTION

The cost of production in India—Rs. 30 per pound—was "excessively heavy", the Industry and Supply Minister said. Silk from Japan and Italy could be imported into India for less than half of this price. In order to protect the indigenous industry the Government of India had on the recommendations of the Tariff Board imposed a protective duty amounting to 150 per cent, but this protection could only be a temporary measure. One obvious effect of this will be to place silk fabrics beyond the reach of a large section of the consumers.'

Stressing the importance of cooperative organising not only among reelers but also among reelers and weavers, Dr. Mukherjee said if all the three were organised in their own co-operatives, the marketing of cocoons and raw silk could be undertaken by such co-operatives with proper arrangements for the grading of cocoons and the testing and grading of raw silk. If the co-operative societies were established on a sound basis, and if they received the necessary financial and other assistance from the provincial and state governments, the Minister said "I see no reason why small twisting plants should not be owned by reelers' co-operatives and dye-houses and processing factories established by weavers' co-operatives."

FUNCTIONS OF SILK BOARD

The functions of the Silk Board, Dr. Mukherjee said, were now limited to sericulture and raw silk industries, but he had received a representation that the weaving of silk should also be brought under its scope.

Dr. Mukherjee suggested to the Board that they should consider award of scholarships and sending out research workers from India to study in the sericulture institutes in Japan, France and Italy. It should also be possible for India, he said, to invite a team of foreign exports to visit this country to give advice on some of the basic problems. The minister assured the active support and co-operation of India.

Merger Of Bharatpur And Dholpur In Offing

NEW DELHI, April 28 (API): The three-man committee appointed by the Ministry of States under the Chairmanship of Mr. Shankarrao Deo to report on the merger of Bharatpur and Dholpur arrived here today after a three-day tour of the two States.

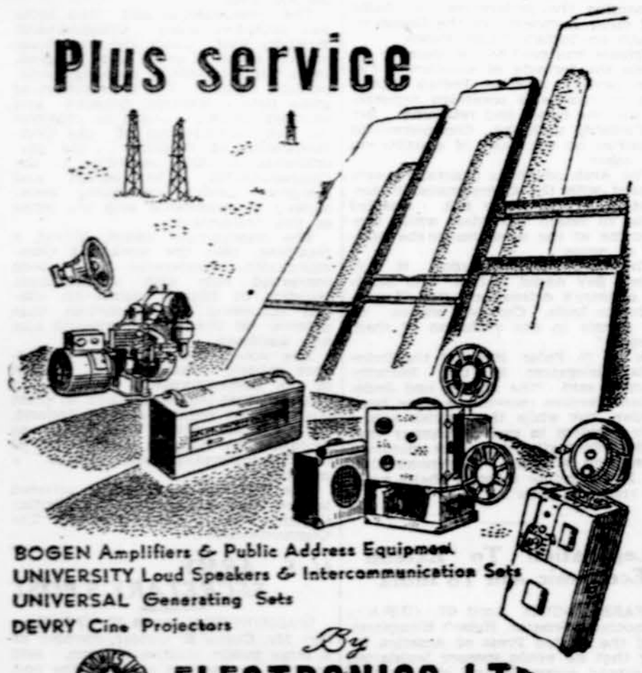
The committee during its tour took oral evidence of the representative public men on whether these two states should join the United Provinces or greater Rajasthan.

Hapur Market Rates

(From Our Correspondent)

HAPUR, April 28.

Wheat 23/- 21/-; Gram 13/4; Barley 13/4; Maize 13/8; Bajra 16/-; Juwar 16/-; Guwar 11/12; Peas Ready 13/6; Arhar Ready 13/10; Urd 18/-; Moong 21/-; Masoor 13/8 16/-; Sarson 28/4; Taraseed 23/8; Mustardoil 74/-; Oilcake 9/4; Groundnut 17/8; Cotton Seed 15/8; Oats 9/12; Linseedoil 56/-; Bardana Ready White 125/-; Red 102/-; Gur Ready 15/4; 14/12; Shakkar 16/-; Crystal 31/4; Khandsari 24/- 300/-; arrivals 100; Mds. futures closed for Amavashya.



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NEW TRANS-ATLANTIC PLANE RECORD

NEW YORK, April 28 (UPA)—Pan American World Airways today announced a new Trans-Atlantic speed record of nine hours 46 minutes from New York to London, last night, by its staraco-cruiser, the "Clipper America". The former record was ten hours two minutes made by a Pan American Constellation January 18 last year.

BAO DAI ARRIVES AT DALAT

PARIS, April 28 (PTI-Reuter)—Ex-Emperor Bao Dai prospective head of the new state of Vietnam, arrived at Dalat, Southern Annam, from Singapore by special plane today, agence France Presse reported.

NEHRU RETURNS TO LONDON

LONDON, April 28 (PTI-Reuter)—Prime Minister Pandit Nehru returned by air from his brief visit to Ireland today, saying: "I enjoyed my visit very much."

ACHESON TO DISCUSS GERMANY

WASHINGTON, April 28 (UPA)—Secretary of State Dean Acheson will discuss Germany in a speech before the American Society of Newspaper Publishers in New York tonight.

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Sardar Hails It As Nehru's Personal Triumph

LONDON DECISION IS "BOLD AND MOMENTOUS," HE SAYS

Expects Sister Nations To Make Commonwealth Enduring By Mutual Goodwill And Friendliness

NEW DELHI, April 28 (API): The Deputy Prime Minister, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, today described the London decision on the Commonwealth issue as "bold and momentous" and said, "only mutual goodwill and friendlines can make the association which we have now decided upon, endurng. Let us hope that all of us will work this association in this spirit".

Sardar Patel, who was addressing a Press Conference said that throughout the deliberations of the Commonwealth Premier's Conference, India's Prime Minister found a general attitude of friendliness, cordiality and goodwill and an earnest desire to achieve to solution which would accord India an equal place in the Commonwealth without affecting its republican status.

Describing some of the features of the agreement, Sardar Patel said that there had been a change in the nomenclature of the Commonwealth. In future it would be known as the Commonwealth of Nations. Such a change was inevitable in view of the changing character of its composition.

India's status of a sovereign independent republic was by no means affected, because there was no question of allegiance to His Majesty the King, who would "merely remain as a symbol of our free association as he would be of other members".

There would be no break in India's membership of Commonwealth, he said.

India's constitution would remain republican both in internal and external spheres.

Sardar Patel said that to a large extent, the agreement was a personal triumph for Pandit Nehru. Recalling the statements made by Pandit Nehru prior to his departure for London, Sardar Patel said that in essentials that position had been sustained as a result of the conclusions reached at the conference.

Asked what the functions of the King would be as the head of the Commonwealth, Sardar Patel replied, "so far as his functions are concerned, they are hardly any. But he gets a status. He is, as mentioned in the communique, a symbol of the free association of all these units".

Question: Since the King has always been a symbol does it make any difference whether he is the head of the Commonwealth or the head of Indian Government.

Sardar Patel: It does make a lot of difference if he is the head of the Indian Gomernment.

CONSULT DICTIONARY

Question: What is the idea of a symbol?

Sardar Patel: Look up Webster's dictionary (Laughter).

Sardar Patel told another questioner that the right of a member of the Commonwealth to secede at will was not affected by the agreement.

The agreement, he said, would have to be ratified by the Contituent Assembly. As soon as the Prime Minister returned, he would report to the Cabinet. The Agreement would also be placed before the Congress Working Committee and the All-India Congress Committee.

Question: Since the Communists and Socialists will oppose the agreement, how do you propose to deal with them?

Sardar Patel: I attribute to them a good deal of common sense.

OBLIGATIONS AND ADVANTAGES

Question: Will India's remaining in the Commonwealth prevent her from entering into a military alliance with any other country outside the Commonwealth.

Sardar Patel: There is no prevention or prohibition at all. India is free to do what she likes but, naturally, the association with other units of the Commonwealth is bound to influence India.

The question of trade relations, he said, was not covered by the agreement. That would have to be considered separately.

Question: Are there any obligations arising out of the membership of the Commonwealth?

Sardar Patel: There are obligations of friendship and association and also advantages.

"India", Sardar Patel said, "has been and will always try to throw her weight on the side of non-aggression and peace."

Question: If an country in the Commonwealth goes Fascist, will it have a place in the Commonwealth?

Sardar Patel: I do not think that any member of the Association will go Fascist.

Question: Does the agreement make the position of Indians in other Dominions better in any way?

Sardar Patel: It prevents it from becoming worse.

The Deputy Prime Minister said that when India became an independent Sovereign Republic, the question of citizenship of the Commonwealth would be determined by legislation that would be passed by all units.

"It was a difficult problem and we have given to this matter most anxious thought and consideration. Throughout, however, we have never flinched from our objective of our Republican status, and never has the problem been of modifying that status in order to suit such form of association with the Commonwealth as might be evolved: on the other hand, it has been our endeavour to determine that form of association without, in any way, affecting or departing from our Republican status. This undoubtedly involved an adjustment of the existing structure of the Commonwealth.

We have to remember that, throughout its existence, the Commonwealth has never been a rigid institution. It has displayed an amazing adaptability to the ideological growth in its component parts. In that has lain principally its integrity and strength and it is through that adaptation that it has survived many critical moments in its history.

"Throughout the discusions which we have had on this important matter, we have had full understanding of our attitude by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and other Dominions with whose representatives we have already had informal discussions. There has been manifest throughout a desire for adjustment to suit our constitutional position. I should like to acknowledge the assistance and co-operation which we have had from these gentlemen.

FRIENDLINESS

"The Prime Minister, from time to time, has made statements on this question and has explained the ideas underlying our approach to this question. Before he left India to attend the Conference, he re-stated our position and I am sure you will be glad to find that, in essentials, that position has been sustained as a result of the conclusions reached at the Conference.

It is not for me to give you any idea of the course of negotiations. I know this much that throughout the deliberations of the Conference our Prime Minister found a general attitude of friendliness, cordiality and goodwill and an earnest desire to achieve a solution which would accord India an equal place in the Commonwealth without affecting its Republican status.

Text Of Statement

The following is the text of the statement made by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, at the press conference.

"I am sure all of you have already read the press "communique" which has appeared in this morning's papers on the discussions which have been going on in London for the last one week on the problem of India's association with the Commonwealth of Nations. As a dominion we have been, like other members of the Commonwealth, owing alegiance to the crown.

When we accepted this position, we made it quite clear that this was for the time being and that the question of our future status was one to be decided by the Constituent Assembly as a sovereign body with complete freedom. We had already passed an objectives resolution in the first session of the Constituent Assembly. That objectives resolution stands, and shall remain the corner-stone of our draft constitution, and our republican status clearly forms a part of that objective.

At the same time, we have throughout expressed the view that we desire close association with the United Kingdom and other countries of the British Commonwealth of Nations. The problem before us was how to regulate such association having regard to our proclaimed objective of a republican status.

"I shall now say a few words by way of explanation on the conclusions and decisions which have emerged. You will notice that there is a change in the nomenclature of the Commonwealth. In future, it will be known as the "Commonwealth of Nations". Such a thing was inevitable in view of the changing character of its composition.

India's status of a sovereign independent republic is, by no means, affected because there is no question of allegiance to His Majesty the King who will merely remain a symbol of our free association as he would be of other members.

There is no break in our membership of the Commonwealth. We continue as member and with other members we remain united as free and equal members. So far as our constitution is concerned it will remain republican both in internal and external sphere. You will notice that the King's headship of the Commonwealth is limited to being symbol of the free association of its independent member-nations.

Both India and other members of the Commonwealth have taken a bold and momentous decision. Only mutual goodwill and friendliness can make the association which we have now decided upon enduring. Let us hope that all of us will work this association in this spirit. We have all taken step in hope and with faith in bona fides of each other. The future will show how far that hope and that faith can be fulfilled.

Finally let me say a word about the part which our Prime Minister has played in securing these decisions. To a large extent, the result achieved is his personal triumph. He has worked hard and earnestly for getting is his personal triumph.

He has worked hard and earnestly for getting India's attitude on this question fully appreciated and it is tribute to the place he commands in the eyes of the international world and to his earnestness and ability that the decision which has now emerged makes full allowances for the constitutional position of India as we all visualise it

'Subversive Organisations' In America

WASHINGTON, April 27. (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Tom Clark, United States Attorney—General, to-day added 36 names to the Government's list of over one hundred "subversive organisations".

He classed 23 organisations as Communist, seven as Fascist, four as advocating force to deny constitutional rights to others and two as seeking to change the form of Government by "unconstitutional means".

The Association of Georgia Klans, the Knight's of the White Camellia and the Original Southern Klans were three of the organisations reserved as advocating force and violence to deny other people constitutional rights. The fourth was the American Christian Nationalist Party.

The industrial workers of the World and the Nationalist Party of Puerto Rigo listed as seeking to alter the form of the United States Government by unconstitutional methods Membership of groups in the list is grounds for dismissal of a Government employment.

2 Congressmen Killed And Several Injured

300 COMMUNISTS RAID ANDHRA VILLAGE

MASULIPATAM, April 28 (API): Two Congressmen were killed and several injured, five of them seriously, in a two-hour armed raid by about 300 persons, described as Communists, in a village Veluvolu near Challapalli last night, according to reports received here.

One of the raiders was also killed. The raiders were said to be wearing military uniforms and armed with lathis and spears. They broke open the doors of the houses of certain Congressmen, smashed the windows and mercilessly beat the occupants.

Before they made away with gold ornaments and silver ware worth Rs. 10,000, they are reported to have shouted Communist slogans.

All-India Hindusthani Conference

MEERUT, April 28 (API)—The All-India Hindusthani Conference will be held here in the last week of May. A Reception Committee has been formed with Mr. Ram Saran Vidyarathi as Chairman and Thakur Umrao Sing as a General Secretary.

BOMBAY'S STREET-VENDORS

87. The Tadgolla-Seller

The introduction of tadgolla to Bombay is a romantic story. For almost a century, this tasty fruit of the palmyra palm was unknown to this city, though the suburban area had quite a sprinkling of these trees. A man from Malabar who was prospecting for a suitable trade in Bombay, spent a leisurely one hour at the Victoria Gardens one afternoon, and was surprised to find tadgolla bunches rotting on tree tops. "Why not sell me some ripe bunches?", he asked the deputy gardener. "Are you out for some cheap poison to kill yourself?", shouted the mali. "I can't sell you the fruit but I can report you to the police." The Malabari took the next available train for Borivli and got a lease for several hundred palmyra palms without telling the owners what he was about. For years, only a man from South India could deal in this fruit because it is a highly technical job to slice a tadgolla at three points and extract neatly the three fruits embedded in the thick shell. Today, the monopoly has been broken—here in the picture is a superannuated fisher-woman plying the trade, though the removal of the fruit must have been done by some young assistant. With mildly sweet kernel encasing an ounce or two of juicy water, this cheap fruit is a rage with children.

INDIA'S POSITION STRENGTHENED

Commercial Interests Relieved At Decision To Remain Within Commonwealth

LONDON, April 28 (P.T.I.-Reuter): The belief that the Commonwealth of nations would gain added stature from the Dominion Prime Ministers' agreement which retains the future Republican India in full and equal partnership, was expressed by quarters closed to dominions delegations here today.

THE VIEW WAS HELD THAT THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE AGREEMENT IN ITSELF WAS A REMARKABLE DEMONSTRATION OF THE FLEXIBILITY OF THE COMMONWEALTH ORGANISATION.

INDIA'S WISE DECISION

INDIA'S DECISION TO REMAIN A FULL MEMBER OF THE COMMONWEALTH, WHILE ADOPTING A REPUBLICAN CONSTITUTION, HAS IMPLICATIONS FOR THE SHAPING OF THE POST-WAR WORLD WHICH EXTEND FAR BEYOND THE COMMONWEALTH ITSELF, DIPLOMATIC OBSERVERS HERE AGREE.

TODAY'S HISTORIC DECISION, BESIDES CONFIRMING INDIA'S POSITION AS A GREAT INDEPENDENT POWER, MAKES IT CLEAR THAT, IN THE BALANCE OF WORLD FORCES, SHE HAS FREELY DECIDED TO ASSUME HER FULL RESPONSIBILITIES BY MAINTAINING HER WORLDWIDE LINKS WITH THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

PANDIT JAWAHARLAL NEHRU IT IS UNDERSTOOD, HAS EMPHASISED THAT INDIA, IN MAKING THIS DECISION REJECTS THE IDEA OF ALIGNING HIS COUNTRY WITH ANY MILITARY OR DEOLOGICAL BLOC.

ROLE IN ASIA

India, by calling a conference of South East Asian powers in New Delhi, earlier this year, to discuss the situation in Indonesia, had already shown herself conscious of her own political role in Asia. By reaffirming that the Commonwealth powers will continue, with India, to co-operate freely "in the pursuit of peace, liberty and progress" today's "communique" gives diplomatic observers the impression that India has succeeded in strengthening her capacity to contribute to a solution of unsettled problems in South East Asia.

This is seen as doubly important at a moment when the Communist offensive across the river Yangtse opens the prospect of an All-China Communist Government being established in the near future with all its obvious repercussions on China's neighbours.

COMMERCIAL CIRCLES EXTREMELY HAPPY

Commercial circles here were extremely relieved to hear the terms of today's "communique" on India's future relations with the Commonwealth.

They were certain that the Commonwealth's present preferential tariff rates would remain undisturbed by India' new status as a sovereign independent Republic. This view was endorsed by all authoritative sources.

Both Britain and India stood to lose many advantages if imperial preference had gone by the board. Britain allows free entry to most of India's staple exports and entry into Britain of some Indian commodities are protected by preferences varying between 10 and 15 per cent. Chief of these commodities are tea, timber, coir, hides and skins, spices, jute manufactures, carpets and certain cotton textiles.

INDIA'S PROMISE TO BRITAIN

One of the chief advantages granted to Britain in return, is a promise by India not to charge more than a certain rate of duty on British cotton piece goods. The average of this duty amounts to 15 per cent. Also granted preferential tariff rates are British exports to India of paints, certain drugs, iron an steel, woollen textiles, electric refrigerators, sewing machines, certain electrical appliances, including radios, motor cars, motor buses, motor cycles and bicycles. The average preferential level over the majority of these goods is 10 per cent.

In 1948 the value of India's exports amounted to some £ 314 million of which well over half went to Commonwealth countries. Her imports totalled about £ 340 million of which about £ 159 million came from the Commonwealth.

Of non-Commonwealth countries, the United States was by far the largest of India's trade partners. Exports to the United States came to around £ 58,500,000 and imports to some £ 81 million.

Within the Commonwealth, India exchanged the largest amount of goods with Britain. Indian exports to Britain amounted to around £ 72,750,000 and in return she received imports valued at about £ 100 million.

CANADIAN MINISTER'S VIEW

Mr. Lester B. Pearson, Canadian External Affairs Minister, said tonight in a General Overseas Broadcast on the result of the Commonwealth Conference: "We all remain together at a time when as never before. It is good for us and for the world that this should be so.

"This Commonwealth has proved that it is a strong agency for fruitful co-operation. We wish to keep it so".

PETER FRASER'S VIEW ON INDIA'S STATUS

Mr. Peter Fraser, Prime Minister of New Zealand, commenting tonight on the results of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference, said it was "a creditable achievement to have devised a method by which the Indian people can remain within the family of nations of the Commonwealth.

Mr. Fraser said he wanted "to stress particularly that the position of New Zealand so far as its allegiance to the crown is concerned is unchanged and unimpaired".

He also asserted "just as the statute of Westminster in 1931 registered changes that had occurred, so it would be true to say does the declaration of 1949 describe the status of the Commonwealth at the present time".

He expressed "deep satisfaction with the good spirit which existed throughout the talks".

The Prime Minister added "the representatives of all the eight nations present stressed their strong desire to retain members of the Commonwealth with all that connection means and connotes in mutual support, trust and understanding".

REACTION IN LAKE SUCCESS.

LAKE SUCCESS, Apr 27 (PTI-Reuter) The outcome of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference whereby India retains her connection with the Commonwealth as a sovereign independent republic was welcomed in United Nations circles here.

Several delegations eagerly scanned the official statement from London containing the declaration by India and other members of the Commonwealth on India's future status.

Tribute was paid to the manner in which the formula of association has been devised, meeting India's aspiration to become a sovereign republic, on the one hand, and retaining her relationship with the Commonwealth countries on the basis of equality on the other

The Arab countries generally were pleased with the Commonwealth declaration which, they felt, enabled India to retain her ideal while contributing at the same time to the stability of peace.

The Egyptian Ambassador, H. E. Kamel Bey Abdul Rahim, who heads his country's delegation said: "I congratulate India. Our best wishes to her people in the evolution of their freedom"

Dr. L. N. Palar, Head of the Indonesian delegation to the Security Council said: "the Indian and Indonesian freedom movements have been similar, but while the British solved their problem in such a manner that India voluntarily chose to maintain connection with the Commonwealth, the Dutch refuse to solve theirs without resort to arms".

Legislation To Extend Economic Aid To India

WASHINGTON, April 27. (U.P.A.): Democratic Senator, Hubert Humphrey told the United Press of America today that he would sponsor legislation to extend economic and other assistance to India. He said that the proposed bill was not yet drafted but would be introduced probably during Senate hearings on appropriations for the Economic Cooperation Administration.

Mixed Grill

IT is just impossible. How can anyone expect anyone else to make wise cracks and entertain, when he has not slept the night before. This sleeplessness, however, was not due to the unbearable heat or to the bugs. It was just that six blocks away somebody or other had gone festive fitted up a loudspeaker in his front verandah; and out of the loudspeaker poured forth a variety of noises enough to give a headache to the discoverer of aspirin.

May I ask, why, oh why, is there no law about loudspeakers in this city ruled by endless laws?

Trying to escape from my neighbour and his loudspeaker I went out for a walk; and there in the maidan nearby was pitched a tent. Attached to the supports of the tent were a dozen loudspeakers blaring forth in every direction. It was like jumping from the frying pan into the fire. Someone was hurling words at the mike, pulling out the words by force from the pit of his stomach. Not only the devoted few who had come to hear the solemn pronouncements on Hindu Dharma but hundreds of residents living in the buildings round about were forced to listen to this cacophony under duress.

Loudspeakers have become so much of a fashion that men cannot even make love without their help. In tiny halls where men are supposed to stand up like men and speak up like men, and where women could lecture with conversational ease, loudspeakers are fitted up. The speakers tend to regard the mike as something in the nature of a challenge and roar into its sensitive ears as if it were deaf. Not only in halls but in public streets and maidans people are permitted to put up loudspeakers for little or no provocation.

Shop owners advertising their wares political parties advertising their creeds, policemen trying to teach principles of road regimentation to the public, idle station officials wanting to convey instructions to their subordinates—all use the mike. And one and all of them seem to imagine that with the mike on the scene the laws of articulation are to be held in abeyance.

Of course, many people approach the mike in many different ways. They grumble or they grunt. They cling to it, twine round it and hiss into its mouthpiece. They clutch at it excitedly, nod their heads, sway their bodies and roar into it. They race past in a desperate hurry and pour out words, tumbling against one another, as if the Hound of Heaven was chasing them. But the result, to the harassed listeners, is the same.

Mischief, like misfortunes, never comes singly. As if one gadget were not enough, ingenious people concoct a double curse by attaching loudspeakers to radios. As for the latter, it needs, as I have already said, a chapter to itself—a chapter which must await an inspired moment to write.

Grumbler

NO MORE REGIONAL PACTS, SAYS ACHESON

WASHINGTON, April 27. (U.P.A.): Secretary of State Dean Acheson told the Senate Foreign Committee today that the State Department did not contemplate any regional pacts beyond the North Atlantic Pact. His statement came in answer to a question by Republican Senator Henry Lodge, who said, that some opponents of the Pact were arguing that it would be followed by other treaties for the Mediterranean and the Far East.

The communique said that India had informed other Commonwealth members that "under the new constitution which is about to be adopted, India shall become a sovereign independent republic. The Government of India have, however, declared and affirmed India's desire to continue her full membership of the Commonwealth of Nations . . . the governments of other countries of the Commonwealth . . . to accept and recognize India's continuing membership in accordance with the terms of this declaration".

The communique added, almost a foot-note, that the week-long Commonwealth Conference had been concerned only with constitutional question of India's status—an official disavowal of speculation that defence of the Commonwealth also was discussed.

The action taken by the Conference entirely changed the concept of the Commonwealth. Experts on constitutional law were quick to point out that any country such as Ireland, for example, which was willing to recognise the King as the "symbol of the Commonwealth could become a member.

The communique no longer referred to the association as the "British Commonwealth", but only as "The Commonwealth".

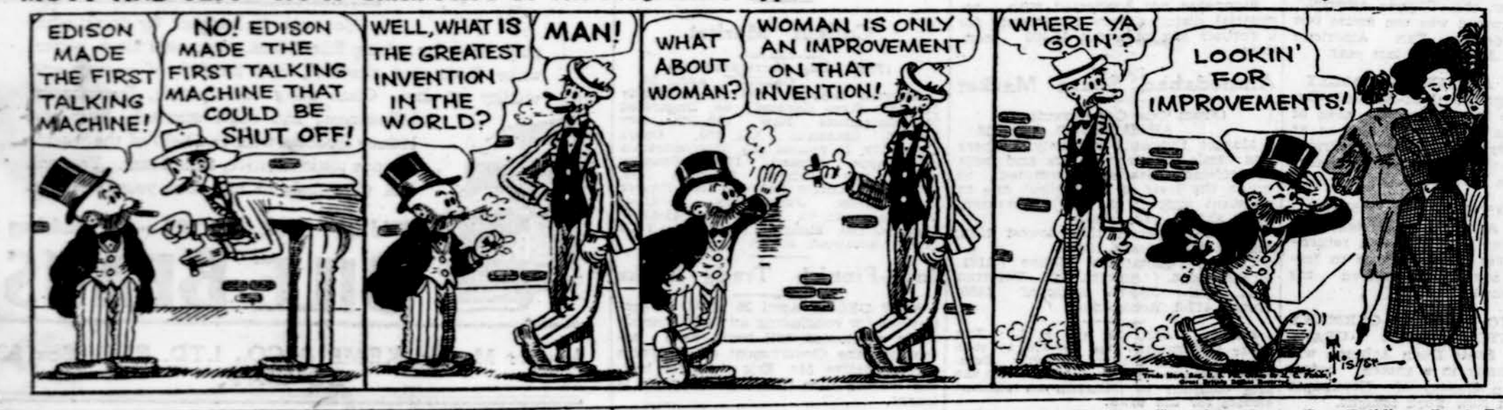
U. S. ARMY SECRETARY'S POST

WASHINGTON, April 27. (PTI-Reuter) Mr. Curtis E. Galder, member of a large public utilities concern, said to-night he had not accepted the post of United States Army Secretary "either now or 60 days from now".

He had been reported earlier to-day to have agreed to take over the post in succession to Mr. Kenneth Royal who resigned last week.

MUTT AND JEFF—It's A Cinch Jeff's Of The Progressive Type

By BUD FISHER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WELL, WHAT IS THE GREATEST INVENTION IN THE WORLD?
MAN!
WHAT ABOUT WOMAN?
WOMAN IS ONLY AN IMPROVEMENT ON THAT INVENTION!
WHERE YA GOIN'?
LOOKIN' FOR IMPROVEMENTS!
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